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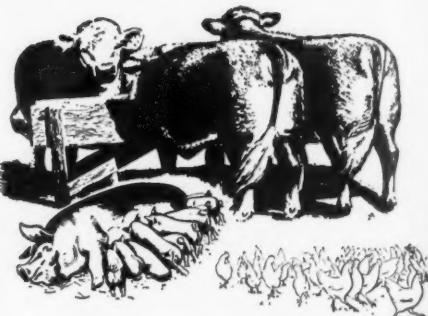
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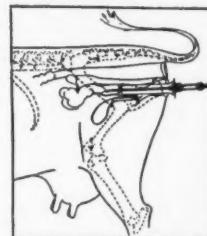
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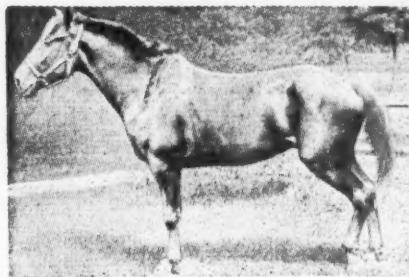
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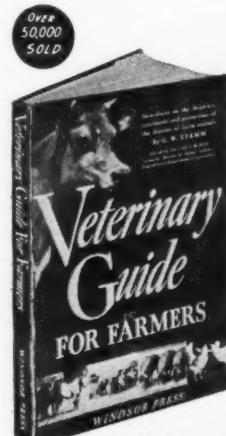
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WINTER STILL AROUND—I like the PRODUCER very much. Winter hangs on too long; it's still here (Apr. 17). We should have enough feed to carry us through. It will be hard to get enough feed this year unless we get a dry summer, as we depend a lot on slough hay here and at present all sloughs are filled to the brims. It seems that the winters are getting longer and colder, with more snow every year. Wish I could let those in other states that need it get some. It's gotten to the point where the word

snow is just hated. It's sure hard to raise cattle any more, when one doesn't get time or, if he did, can't find enough feed to carry through these five to six months of winter. Hope conditions improve. Best wishes to a good cattle magazine.—Walter A. Fjeldahl, Ward County, N. D.

PRETTY DRY YET—We had a very dry winter in this part of Wyoming; had a few light snows this month—not much moisture in them, so it's still pretty dry. Been cold also, so at this date (Apr. 22) the grass hasn't done much. I have a small gripe about your magazine. I can't find any data on your cover pictures—where taken and who took them, etc.—Harvey W. Edwards, Campbell County, Wyo.

Events have moved in rapidly on the industry following the announcement of price rollbacks on Apr. 28. Effect and reaction have been equally swift. See Lookout, Page 5; Editorials, Page 7.

(Editor's Note: We're sorry that these short cover picture stories are not always easy to find, but we try to get them in somewhere each month. This month the editor, who is not much of a photographer, took the picture on the ranch of George Dominick III up in the northern end of the San Luis Valley, which lies in one of the grandest sections of Colorado.)

COLUMBIA IRRIGATION—The PRODUCER has been a great help to me in my work for many years. It is a fine contribution to the beef cattle business. We expect a real interest in producing beef on irrigated pastures in the Columbia Basin irrigation project.—Evan W. Hall, Spokane County, Wash.

HOPEFUL OF MORE SHOWERS—We have had an extremely dry spring so far (Apr. 26) and the grass is short but today we had some showers and we may be lucky enough to get some more.—John W. Noh, Twin Falls County, Ida.

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The Lookout

AS AN IMMEDIATE EFFECT of the price controls of April 28 the general cattle markets broke unevenly. Many slaughter classes averaged 50 cents to \$1 under the close of the previous week, while stocker and feeder trade became stagnant, with some initial sales \$2 to \$3 lower.

We do not have the order before us yet, but a sketchy outline follows:

THE FIRST CEILING, effective May 20, will require slaughterers to pay about 9 per cent under current prices; a second rollback on August 1 and a third one on October 1 will each set cattle prices back 4½ per cent.

ON MAY 7 packers must start using federal grading if they are not already using it. They must keep track of where they sell their meat. This is designed to lay the basis for later allocation of supplies.

ON MAY 9, wholesale price ceilings, based on \$54.20 a cwt. for choice beef at Omaha or Denver, become effective. Zone differentials will determine prices in other areas.

The various wholesale cuts are given a base price as are the different types of sales and packaging. Instructions are given as to how the beef is to be cut.

ON MAY 14 retail ceilings on 50 cuts in each of four grades become effective for the 18 zones. Each zone has schedules for independents, chains and another type of store. Retailers are also told how to cut the beef. Separate schedules apply to restaurants.

AFTER MAY 20 packers will be told how much they can pay for cattle because that is when their monthly accounting periods start. The packers must stay within the wholesale prices set for them during the month or their slaughter quota will be reduced.

ON JUNE 3 meat retailers must post their official price for each cut of beef sold.

ON AUGUST 1 another set of reduced price schedules will be used by wholesalers and retailers. That is when cattle will be cut back another 4½ per cent.

ON OCTOBER 1 a third set of still further reduced schedules will be used; these will push cattle back still another 4½ per cent.

When this state is reached, the controllers expect retail beef prices to be close to pre-Korean levels.

THE CONTROLLERS may also expect to have a lively black market developed by that time.

If the public generally realized what these rollbacks will do to the meat industry it would rebel against them as the cattleman is doing. A system of controls on meat can mean only reduced production, black markets and eventually higher prices to the consumer. That was demonstrated under OPA.

THIS COMMENTARY on the control situation is interesting: Latest data shows the factory wage index for a week in March as 561 compared with March parity index of 280.

FARMERS are not overpaid, said Agriculture Secretary Brannan to the House Agriculture Committee. He is opposed to any move to lower price ceilings on farm products below parity levels. He said the working man has an easier time paying for groceries today than he did in 1929. A chart on Page 8 shows this. . . . Farmers realized 8% less net income from farming operations in 1950 than they did in 1949, a BAE release says.

MEAT INSPECTION for intrastate packers was proposed by the government some time ago, with the packers paying a fee. The proposal was objected to by the American National and at a recent meeting in Washington several packers and many producer representatives all agreed that such a move would be bad since the large interstate packers are getting the service now at public expense while intrastate packers would pay a fee with the net result that all inspection would be put on a fee basis. The American National feels that inspection is a service to the public and should be paid for by the public. The Bureau of Animal Industry is reconsidering.

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Robert A. Halbert shown with 1950 National Champion Polled Hereford bull "Domestic Mischief 259" on his ranch near Sonora, Texas.

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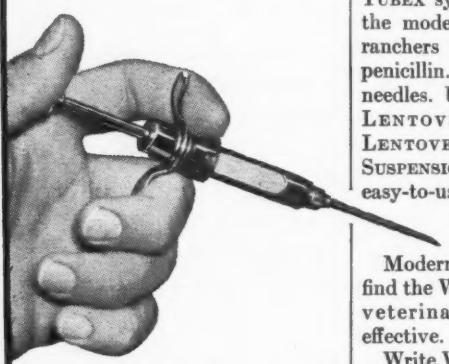
SONORA, TEXAS—Robert A. Halbert, rancher here, owns more than 500 registered Herefords and runs several thousand sheep on his 24 sections of range. He is so enthusiastic about the Tubex syringe, along with Lentovet penicillin cartridges for use with his stock, he gave sets to friends for Christmas presents.

"We were one of the first ranches in southern Texas to start using Tubex," he said recently. "When we ship our prize breeding stock it is routine to give them an injection

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THROCKMORTON, TEXAS—Rancher G. D. London, of the Lazy Mule Shoe ranch near this Texas town, runs about 1,500 head of cattle on 22,000 acres of range. He has been using the Wyeth Tubex syringe to inject Lentovet, penicillin in Tubex cartridges, for some time with excellent results.

He says, "Recently we bought 1,400 heifers out of Fargo. They had to be unloaded four times during shipment. A couple of days after they arrived, shipping fever started to develop.

"We started right in injecting Lentovet penicillin, using Tubex syringe, and saved every infected heifer we could locate. Naturally, I am enthusiastic about this method of treatment.

"All eight of our men now carry Tubex syringes and cartridges in their saddle bags. They're easy to use and we all like it because you don't have to worry about sterilizing



G. D. London

needles. There are a hundred and one uses for Tubex and Lentovet around a ranch like this. Seems like we're using it for just about every kind of infection in our stock with real fine results."

TEACHES STUDENTS TO USE TUBEX

BUDA, TEXAS—Richard E. Haas, breeder of registered Herefords, finds time from his ranch duties to teach a veteran's class in agriculture. To his students, Mr. Haas says he has no hesitation in recommending use of the Tubex syringe with Lentovet.

"On my own ranch," he says, "we use Tubex penicillin for rotten foot, pneumonia and retained afterbirth cases. When using the Tubex syringe with Lentovet, you can go to the dirtiest part of the ranch and be sure of giving a sterile shot."



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Protest

FEELING THAT THE CATTLEMAN HAS been discriminated against in the rollback prices announced on Apr. 28 is running high among cattlemen and representatives of the industry. Executive Secretary F. E. Mollin of the American National Cattlemen's Association announced that the unfair and entirely unexpected treatment singled out for the cattle industry will be vigorously protested.

Discrimination

WHEN THE PRICE CONTROLLERS FIRST put ceilings on meat they set them at the highest levels existing between Dec. 19 and Jan. 25. This was later amended so that at least 10 per cent of sales had to be used as the yardstick. In the months that have followed this order the feeling has generally been that when cattle ceilings were set they would reflect those base prices. In fact, at least one OPS official said there was no intention of rolling back beef beyond the prices for that period. In all their actions, the controllers have substantially held to that level of prices.

But for some reason they have now singled out cattle for the stiff rollback of 5 to 10 per cent effective May 20, another rollback of 4½ per cent on Aug. 1, and still another of 4½ per cent on Oct. 1. Just guessing at it, even the first of these is a rollback to the lowest price in the base period instead of the highest. It should be remembered, too, that hides were at the start rolled back 15 per cent.

Thus thousands of cattle growers and feeders who hold high priced cattle are faced with the problem of coming out on their investment the best they can. No regard is shown for the feeders who have planned a long-time feeding operation on animals bought in recent months.

It is certain that the price blocks now set up will result in lowered production, for the feeder must concern himself not with fattening out an animal properly but with how he can operate to salvage as much of his investment as possible. To the weeks of uncertainty that the industry has gone through with rumor upon rumor of ceilings hounding him is added another period of gradual deterioration of confidence in future operations that can only mean loss to both the stockman and the public.

Price agency officials express concern over a meat strike by the cattle growers. Don't they know that the cattle grower can't strike even if he wants to? Don't they realize that a strike to him means ruination of his business? Don't they know that cattle are not shipped until they are ready and that when they are ready they must be shipped whatever the market price might be? You can't pull a sit-down strike on a ranch.

No, cattlemen won't strike. When the orders are enforced, all the cattlemen on the ranches can do is to pocket their losses and keep going the best they can.

What will happen instead of the strike is that feeders will be forced to rush their cattle in to get under the Aug. 1 cutback and then of necessity they will have to stay out of feeding operations at least until the second rollback on Oct. 1. You don't buy when you know the market is doing down. What is to happen to all the cattle that would have been taken by the feeders in the two months between Aug. 1 and Oct. 1, which is the heavy period of movement of cattle off grass? Many — including thousands of calves — will go to the packer unfinished.

Lowered production of beef will be the result. And its effect on the consumer, whom the controllers say they are serving and who, they say, will be able to buy beef at 8 to 9 cents less than at present, will in the long run be higher prices for beef. Indeed, many of them may not get beef at all. Black markets will be the result and black markets will do much of the retailing . . . and such operators are interested in but one thing: high profits.

There can be little doubt about the outcome. Black markets were the nemesis of meat control during World War II. We have pointed out before that when President Truman released meat from control in 1946 he referred to the "millions of housewives who have been hard pressed to provide nourishing meals for their families," cited the need for by-products from lawful slaughter (these included needed pharmaceuticals) and called attention to the widespread disregard for, and violation of, the price control law.

But there is a greater threat to the public in the rollback order. If Price Stabilizer DiSalle can with a stroke of the pen wipe out \$700,000,000 in the inventory value of cattle (he claims this is the amount housewives will save in a year) couldn't he with equal ease withdraw that much or more from your bank accounts? It amounts to the same thing — confiscation of property. It is happening to the cattleman. It can happen to others.

Stopping for Feed, Water, Rest

IF, WHEN YOU SHIP, you want your cattle fed at certain points en route between origin and destination, you will be interested in this information from American National Traffic Manager Chas. E. Blaine, respecting instructions to be placed on the livestock contract:

When shipments of livestock are stopped at feed points for feed, water and rest at railroad's convenience, the service charges applicable at railroad operated stockyards are legally applicable to the shipments. In most cases the feed and service charges at railroad operated stockyards are lower than the service charges made by public stockyards or stockyards not railroad operated.

The applicable rail tariffs provide that when, for carrier's convenience only and not at request of shipper, consignee or owner, shipments of livestock are stopped at public stockyards or stockyards not railroad operated, such stockyards will be considered as railroad operated stockyards and that the provisions of the applicable tariff naming the feed and service charges at railroad operated stockyards will apply on such shipments.

The tariff further provides, however, that when shipments are stopped at public stockyards or stockyards not railroad operated at request of shipper, consignee or owner, the loading or unloading charges, feeding charges of the public stockyards, or stockyards not railroad operated will be applied on such shipments.

Many times a shipper will make a specific request on a livestock contract for his shipment to be stopped at Ogden, Utah, for feed, water and rest, thereby incurring the substantially higher load-

ing and unloading charges at that point.

The rail carriers have conceded that, when the shipper or owner does not specifically request that shipments be stopped at a certain point for feed, water and rest but only suggests a possible feed point, such shipments are considered to be stopped for carrier's convenience and not at the specific request of the shipper.

Therefore, numerous informed shippers, such as the large meat packing concerns and various large livestock shippers, have protected themselves from the assessment of the higher loading and unloading charges at numerous public stockyards and other points by merely showing on livestock contract a notation such as: "Suggest feed at Ogden, if possible."

The placement of a similar suggestion on livestock contract by livestock shippers who would like to have their cattle fed at certain points but do not wish to make a specific iron-clad request on the contract will permit the carriers to stop the shipment at designated point as suggested by the shipper if it is possible to do so. Such action will result in reducing the higher service charges which would otherwise apply at various points if the shipper specifically requested that his shipments of livestock be stopped for feed, water and rest at a certain point.

Watchful Waiting

"ERADICATION of foot-and-mouth disease in the Republic of Mexico appears to be approaching completion," according to a report of the Livestock Industry Advisory Committee to the secretary of agriculture following a meet-

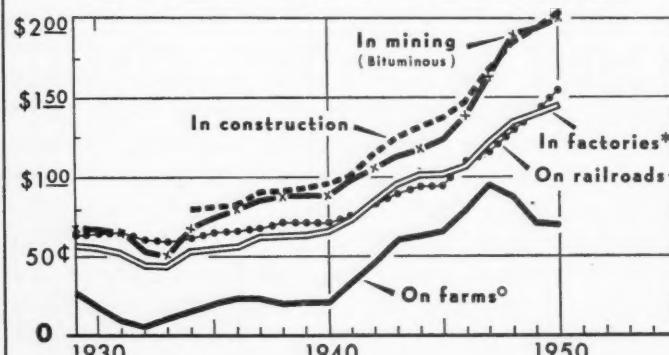
ing in Albuquerque, N. M., last month. The committee, headed by Albert K. Mitchell of Albert, N. M., issued the statement following a special session called to review the program and afford a final meeting with Gen. Harry H. Johnson of Houston, Tex., co-director, who recently asked to be relieved from the special government assignment effective May 1.

Dr. B. T. Sims, chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry, USDA, who was present, stated that "A continued period of watchful waiting and inspection of animals in the infected area will be necessary for months and months to come before scientists will be in position to say definitely that the disease is completely wiped out." Last outbreak of the disease occurred in the state of Vera Cruz in December, 1950.

It was reported by a representative of the Commodity Credit Corporation that 210,000,000 pounds of canned beef had been sold by packing companies in northern states of Mexico since 1947. Cattle from these states normally flowed into the United States before outbreak of foot-and-mouth in central Mexico in 1946. "Due to the meat canning program, sales of chilled beef to foreign nations and drouth conditions prevailing in that area in recent years, it is doubtful that a surplus of cattle exists in northern Mexico at this time," the committee said.

An effective border patrol will continue to operate along the international boundary to prevent movement of livestock from Mexico into this country, according to Dr. F. W. Hamilton, inspector in charge of the bureau's patrol station at El Paso. "Four hundred eighty-one men are now employed to patrol the 1,900-mile international line," he declared.

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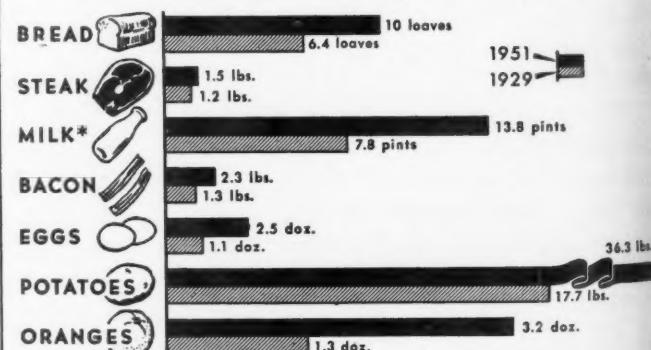
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These charts bear out the contention of Agriculture Secretary Brannan that food prices and prices received by farmers are not the chief cause of inflation. The farmer's income, broken down in terms of wages and interest, is shown to be 69 cents an hour for labor, 5 per cent interest on investment and nothing for management. In his statement to the House Committee on Agriculture he said: "The net realized income of farm operators from farming went down from the 1947 peak and national income went up. . . . An hour's earnings in a

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factory may buy less of some things now than it has in the past, but it will buy more food. . . . Americans spent for food last year a smaller share of their disposable income (income after direct taxes, chiefly income taxes) than they did in 1947, 1948, or 1949, and the same share as in 1946. . . . If we had been satisfied with the same kinds and quantities of food we bought in 1935-39 with 23 per cent of our disposable income, it would have cost us only 18 per cent of our 1950 disposable income."

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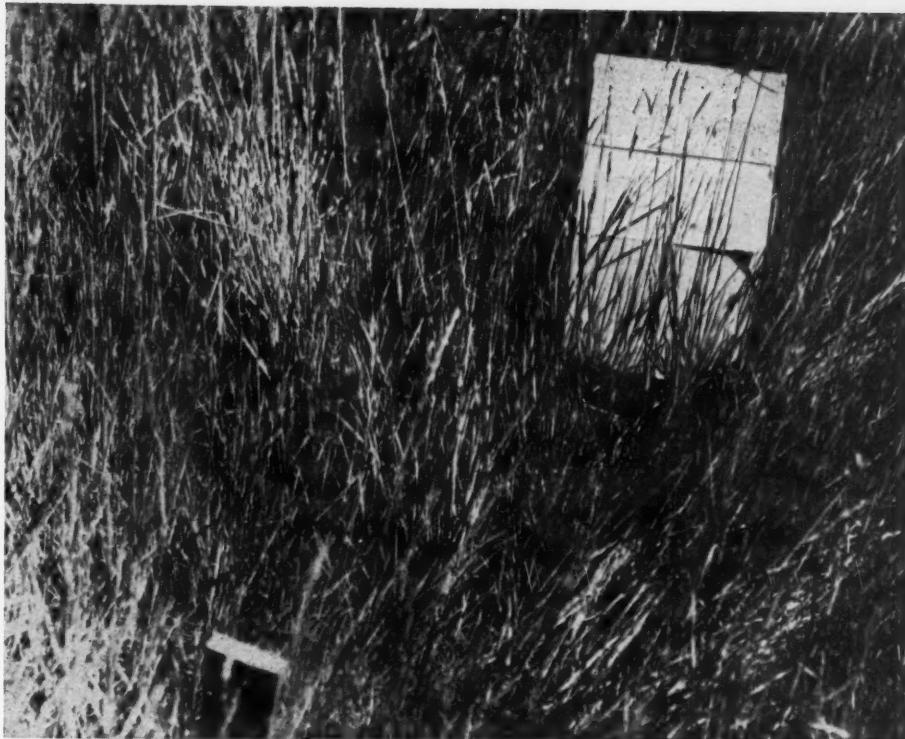
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RANGE WATERSPREADING builds new land for the West.

There are 400,000 acres of new grazing land available to ranchers in eastern Montana and central Wyoming. These new lands are in addition to present ranch holdings. Three million pounds of beef can be produced on these lands each year. New land is hard to find, yet the ranchers of the West have this land right inside their own fences and close to water.

Range waterspreading will build these new lands and keep them productive. Most ranchers have an opportunity to develop range waterspreading on their ranches. There are 100,000 acres of land in eastern Montana and north central Wyoming adaptable to waterspreading work. These 100,000 acres of land when placed under range waterspreading will produce more grass than is grown on 400,000 acres of good native range land. This is enough feed to support 10,000 cows for 10 months.

How much is this new land worth? The value of land depends on the use to which it is put and its over-all productivity for that given use. Where



After six years of waterspreading, exact duplicate of Alzada No. 1. Vegetation: dense stand of western wheatgrass. Identification card is placed against the stake shown in original picture. Aug. 2, 1950. (Norman H. French photo, BLM.)

range waterspreaders are used for hay production, an average of one-half ton of good native hay can be produced each year. One-half ton of hay is worth from \$5 to \$7 as it stands before cutting. Land which will produce an income of \$5 per year when capitalized at 5 per cent interest is worth \$100 per acre.

To figure the value of land on the

basis of pounds of beef produced, this land will produce approximately 3,000,000 pounds of beef, or 30 pounds per acre. By taking one-half of the total production as rent value of the land, this would mean that each acre produces 15 pounds of beef which at present prices of 35 cents per pound would bring an annual income for the land of \$5.25. This, in turn capitalized at 5 per cent, will give a value of \$105 per acre for this new land. Another way to figure value, which is perhaps more conservative, is to take the present leased land rates for land on the basis of its carrying capacity. This new land will produce one animal unit month of grazing per acre. The commercial value of an animal unit month of grazing in this western area is from \$1 to \$2. Staying on the conservative side and placing the income of the land at \$1 per year and capitalizing this value at 5 per cent, we get a value of \$20 per acre.

What will it cost to produce or build this new land? Costs will vary due to the slope and uniformity of the spreading area. Costs will also be higher where larger diversion structures are necessary and will vary directly with the size of the spreading area. The smaller the spreading area the higher the cost per acre. Detailed checks of actual costs of range waterspreading indicate that this varies from \$4 to \$10 per acre. Current bids on several thousand acres of this type of range waterspreading show a construction cost of less than \$6 per acre. Over-all costs of this work will not exceed \$10 per acre. In other words, for an outlay of \$10 per acre we can build land worth from \$20 to



Before waterspreading Alzada project photo plot No. 1. Vegetation: cactus and sage, mostly bare ground. Oct. 6, 1944. (Albert Shunk photo, BLM.)

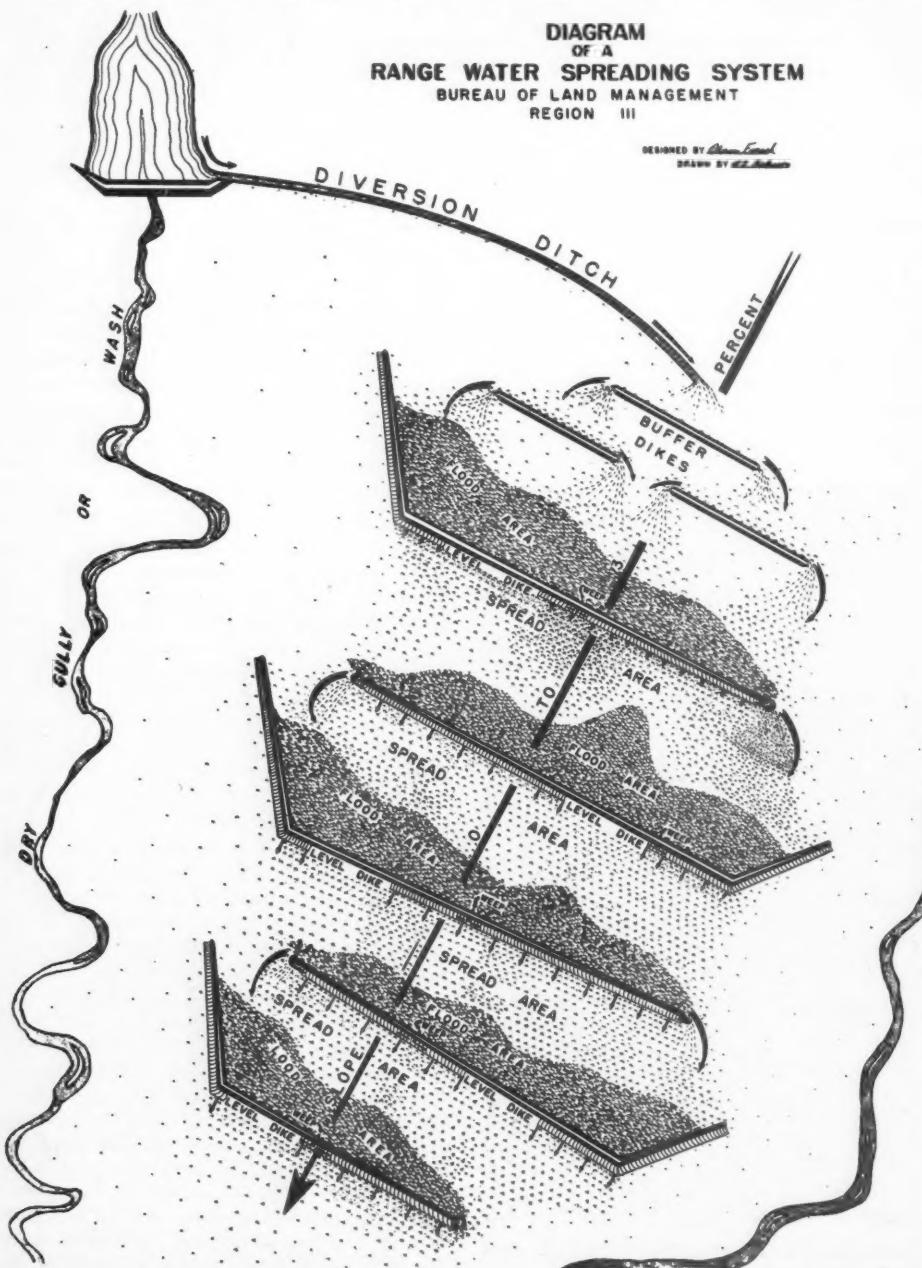
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\$100 per acre.

What is a range waterspreading system? To build a typical system we usually start with a relatively flat area with sparse vegetation. Water is diverted onto this flat and controlled by a series of dikes which concentrate, hold and distribute the water until it is utilized by the soil. Dikes must be good sized—3 to 4 feet high—to withstand flash runoff conditions. Such dikes should be level throughout their spreading distance with the borrow pit taken from below the dike. They should be approximately 200 feet apart or on a 2-foot vertical distance. Water spreads out above the dike and forms a flood area; it then moves slowly around one end of the dike, part of it moves on to the next dike and part of it moves back into the borrow pit which fills up and acts as a spreader irrigation ditch covering all of the area down to the next dike. Range waterspreading is designed to operate by itself. It utilizes runoff

from melting snow as well as short intense runoff from summer thunderstorms. The greatest benefit in the system will be found during dry periods because a range waterspreading system builds up a reserve of moisture for plant growth. A range waterspreading system is to a dry summer what hay-in-the-stack is to a tough winter—extra feed and extra insurance.

Thousands of acres of this new land have been built by ranchers in Montana and Wyoming. Thousands more acres are being planned for or actually are under construction. The most enthusiastic boosters of waterspreading are the ranchers themselves. If you really wish to find out the value and workings of a waterspreading system, talk to one of these ranchers such as Bruce Orcutt, Miles City, Mont.; Kent Hale, Alzada, Mont.; Gus Klintworth, Alzada, Mont.; Clark W. Richie, Arvada, Wyo.; or George Snodgrass, Casper, Wyo., and have him show you just what it does.



TREASURY ACQUIESCES IN CAPITAL GAINS— WITH RESERVATIONS

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT has finally announced its acquiescence in the court cases which have upheld a livestock operator's right to claim capital gains on sales of livestock used for draft, breeding or dairy purposes. The battle has raged for several years between the Treasury, which held that the capital gains privilege applied only to sales in reduction of the herd, and taxpayers who claim capital gains on all sales of livestock so used. The courts sided with the taxpayers, and case after case came down in their favor. The Treasury Department stuck to its guns and continued to audit returns and deny refunds on the basis of its interpretation. Only a few days ago, bills were introduced in Congress by Representatives Curtis of Nebraska and Granger of Utah, members of the tax-drafting Ways and Means Committee, to force the Treasury into line with the courts. Finally on Apr. 20 the Treasury capitulated and announced its acquiescence.

But there is a catch, and more conflict and confusion are ahead. The formal rulings have not yet been published, but from the press releases it is apparent that the Treasury has gone only part way. The Treasury is trying to differentiate between animals normally held for their full breeding usefulness and those normally sold at an earlier date. The releases state that ordinarily capital gains will be recognized with respect to "dairy or breeding cattle, horses, etc., denied for 'hogs, chickens, turkeys, etc.'" On the merits, sheep should qualify along with cattle and horses, but the Treasury's announcement has not yet made this clear. Also, there are rumblings to the effect that the Treasury will rewrite its rulings so as to restrict capital gains on immature animals. Under present rulings, heifers and ewe lambs held for replacement in the breeding herd and then sold for some unforeseen reason are treated as capital assets. Also, there are rumors of retaliation by denying livestock operators the use of the cash basis and the continuance of low inventory values established in prior years. Accordingly, it is hoped that Congress will proceed with its legislation so as to put all phases of the controversy finally to rest.

In the meantime, cattle and sheep raisers should file their returns claiming capital gains on all sales of animals held for use by them for breeding and dairy purposes. Also, they should file claims for refund of taxes overpaid in prior years. Claims for refund may be filed within two years from the date of payment of tax, or three years within the time of the filing of the return, whichever is later. — STEPHEN H. HART, 350 Equitable Bldg., Denver, Colo., Attorney for National Live Stock Tax Committee.

New Honor On PR Work



PICTURED here is the 4-inch plaque, depicting George Washington at prayer, which was recently awarded to the American National Cattlemen's Association by Freedoms Foundation for "significant work in building a better understanding of the American Way of Life." Radford Hall, assistant executive secretary of the American National, received the plaque last month at a presentation ceremony in Denver.

The national recognition thus granted the American National Cattlemen's Association was based in large part on the Special Resolution, "Holding to Freedom," composed by Executive Committeeman Dan D. Casement of Manhattan, Kan., and adopted by the association in January, 1950, at its 53rd annual convention in Miami, Fla., as an expression of the code of its membership body. The PRODUCER believes that the resolution bears repetition, and reprints it herewith:

"There impends today a threat to our country and the freedom of its citizens which so menacingly overshadows the future that we, American cattlemen of all shades of political belief, feel it our duty to speak out in unmistakable terms.

"This threat lies in the fact that our

country—without conscious choice on the part of its people—is rapidly and unmistakably drifting toward the summation of a false concept—the socialized state.

"Tokens of this danger are everywhere and undeniable. The growing power and expansion of wasteful government; the colossal public debt; the heavy burden of taxation; the malicious attempt to substitute an artificial economy for the natural economy which alone can function in freedom; the gradual assumption by the state of financial responsibility for every hazard incident to life—hazards which should be personally met and borne by every human being who has the instinctive will to survive and the inherent impulse to be free; the arraignment of economic and social groups, one against the other, and numerous other conditions and proposals similarly inspired and equally false.

"Government produces nothing and has no means by which to support these false and destructive theories except by exacting from its citizens the fruits of their labors.

"The course the government is now taking, unless it is promptly reversed, must inevitably lead to national bankruptcy. In a vain effort to prolong a specious sense of security, more similar expedients will be applied until we become mere numbers in a completely socialized state; therefore, be it

"Resolved: That we, the members of the American National Live Stock Association in convention assembled at Miami, Florida, January 5, 1950, reaffirm our solemn conviction that the future health, strength and prosperity of our country depend on the re-establishment and maintenance of free and competitive enterprise and hereby pledge ourselves as individuals and as an association to work diligently and actively toward this objective and toward the defeat of the falacious philosophies that are beguiling our country into socialism."



Assistant Secretary Rad Hall admires the Freedoms Foundations award which he received last month for the American National in a ceremony at Denver.

New Film Progressing

Shots are being taken in California for some of the scenes of the new American National public relations film, "Land of Our Fathers." Sequences have already been filmed in Texas, New Mexico and Arizona by the producer, Vacationland Studios, of Sheridan, Wyo. Utah, Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana are also slated for visits in connection with the picture, and a return trip will probably be scheduled to the Southwest, where drouth and poor atmospheric conditions did not permit completion of the necessary work on the first try.

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Contrary to the expectation that demand for the first American National picture, "All Flesh Is Grass," would taper off, a constant stream of requests is still being received and all copies of the film are booked up for a long period ahead. The Sheridan office tries to keep one on hand for emergency use but is finding it difficult to do so. Showings are scattered from Austin, Minn., where some 11,900 persons saw it during a three-day home builders' show, to Vega, Tex., where Executive Committeeman Jack Mansfield showed it to 1,200. Swift & Company is now showing it in Georgia cities. The film is also being televised, with three stations in San Francisco set to show it in the near future . . . Quite a number of universities which showed the film last year have asked to use it again this year for classroom purposes. The new film venture (see above) should be completed by July, says latest advice.

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A case history is being prepared for use by universities and colleges; this will summarize the presentation of public relations objectives, practices and accomplishments which have won two awards in the past year. (See Col. 1.)

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In addition to the new book under preparation ("It's Hell on Horses and Women," described on Page 23) now in progress is a piece of promotional literature which will be designed to re-awaken interest on the part of the individual stockman in public relations. . . . A request has come from the Journal of Politics, official organ of the Southern Political Science Association, for an article to be used in August on the subject, "Should public regulation and ownership of public lands now be pushed more rapidly as an alternative to private ownership and freedom of action?"

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F. H. Sinclair of Sheridan, Wyo., the American National public relations adviser, has been informed of his election to membership in the Public Relations Society of America. This society, with a restricted membership, is the national organization of professional public relations counsel, and has for its objectives the setting up and maintenance of ethical public relations practices.

Market Uncertain Under Threat of Price Ceilings

By H. W. FRENCH

CONTINUED UNEVENNESS featured the cattle market all month and no stability is in sight as everybody—feeders and buyers alike—is wondering what will happen. It was not uncommon for a market to break 50 cents one day and advance 50 cents the next. Then again one market would be lower on the same day that another would be lower. The biggest changes were on grain-fed steers.

Curtailment of shipping demand or a few too many cattle usually resulted in a dull, weakening market, but any let-up in receipts brought about an uneven advance. There was more uniformity to the cow and bull markets except for canner and cutter cows, for which the demand suddenly has fallen down materially. Prices for fed cattle were the highest since 1948 and bulls at some points established new high records.

There was a marked scarcity of calves and vealers suitable for slaughter and prospects for any material increase in the supply are small, although receipts out of the dairy district will pick up temporarily. Packer buyers were not only faced with a light supply of vealers but they suffered country competition on the young light offerings.

Ceiling prices of some kind are expected at any time and may be established before this market review is printed. Indications point to first action on a dressed basis by grades and recently several meetings have been held on the matter of the best way to keep prices within reason without resulting in any reduced production.

Feedlot Operations Normal

Up to now, feedlot operators and pasture men are still operating on a normal basis, although some feedlot men have been doing little replacement because of the high prices still prevalent. A good share of the grainfeds have been out more than an average length of time and the "rank and file" of the fed cattle have been falling into the choice grade. If anything, prime cattle are more numerous than commercial.

Slaughter under federal inspection during March was down on everything but hogs which showed about 100,000 increase. There was a marked decline for cattle and calves. Cold storage holdings of meats going into April were generally up from a year ago but with the exception of pork were below the five-year average.

Chicks produced by commercial hatcheries during March were up 1 per cent and the March output stood nearly 2,000,000 head above a year earlier. Eggs in incubators on Apr. 1 showed an 8 per

cent increase from a year ago. Chicks booked for May delivery were 19 per cent larger than a year ago.

Eight Corn Belt states took about 10,000 fewer cattle and calves during March than a year ago and in-movement of sheep and lambs to the same area was down around 7,000 head. Weather conditions may have had some influence on the shorter buying as storms interfered with the movement of livestock. The St. Paul market was closed to all livestock for several days because of high water.

Beef steers above 1,150 pounds seem to find the broadest outlet, many buyers giving those averaging 1,200 to 1,350 pounds the preference. Extremely heavy steers have been comparatively scarce as were those below 1,000 pounds. It is the general opinion that tonnage is lighter. Many of the heifers are weighing above 900 pounds and they are in best demand.

The percentage of heifers is far below that of steers at the various markets and is evidence of a comparative shortage of young females, leading to the belief that as the weeks pass heifers will sell closer to steers grade for grade than at present. Some even go so far as to predict that they may even equal steers in price within a few months.

West Coast packers have plenty of cattle in their feedlots and during the past month bought fewer cattle east of the Continental Divide than for a long time. Not so long ago they took 50 to 75 cars of cattle a week at Denver and currently are taking less than 25 cars weekly. Very few of the western orders call for cows or bulls but now and then California buyers dip into the heifer supply.

Based on recent action, most members of the trade expect the high choice of prime fed cattle to hold up well and even to establish new highs, but there is less confidence in the market for the good to average choice, especially when such offerings weigh below 1,100 pounds. Should this condition prevail, a wider spread in prices is certain to develop.

Broad Outlet for Cheaper Cattle

Lower-costing cattle probably will continue to find a broad outlet unless it may be canner and cutter cows which for the past few weeks have been badly neglected and favored a weaker level even when beef cows were on the upgrade. Not enough bulls are out to warrant any break in prices for such offerings as it is seasonal for the call for sausage material to increase. (To P. 14)

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Says:



"Accordin' to idel roomer, Sochilism in England is gonna be deader'n a squashed doodle bug. Seems like it's gonna die in spite of all the money the Washington boys are sending that way. There's too many Johnny Bulls who wants false teeth, wooden legs, glass eyes an' wigs fer bald-headed penshuners. The King even wasn't gittin' enough meat in a week to feed a ol' tomcat. Rationin'—price controllin'—subsidizin'—meat quotas—all fixed by bureycrats—will go outen the winder as bad medicine."

"The boys down in Washington ain't hearn nothin' about it. No matter how bad a flop was made before or how bad a flop was made in Great Brittin'—this here DeSalley an' Ericks Johnston figgers they are smart enough to catch the boy with the knife, saw, block'n' tackle an' the lantern.

"It's kinda funny. A feller goes down to Washington with some horse sense. He ain't sure he kin do much. But after havin' his pitcher taken, bein' interviewed by newspaper fellers who ask his opinion on this an' that—he gits bit with a bug. One mornin' he gits up an' starts to shave an' sees hisself in the glass—an' he gives a second look an' sez, 'By Golly, mebbe I am a lot smarter'n I thort I was.' Right off he figgers where the other feller got bogged down—he'd skate over the top.

"Right now there is talkin' of subsidizin' which means collectin' a dollar from a consumer an' givin' 50¢ of it to a govinment flunkey, 50¢ of it to a farmer so they kin save the consumer 25¢ on his grub bill. It really taken some brain work to figger this all out. But that ain't all.

"They first borrey the money from the consumer an' they tax him so they kin pay him interest on the loan he makes—an' then they tax him some more so they kin pay the bureycrats who does the book-keepin' on the loan.

"Greasewood, my pardner, sez he read where they now got a machine which automatic does all kinds of figgerin'. They must have invented this here machine for Washington—because no human could work out a way to do the figgerin' necessary to handle all this book-keepin' an' keep from goin' plumb loco."—F.H.S.

Cattle Rollbacks To Be Protested

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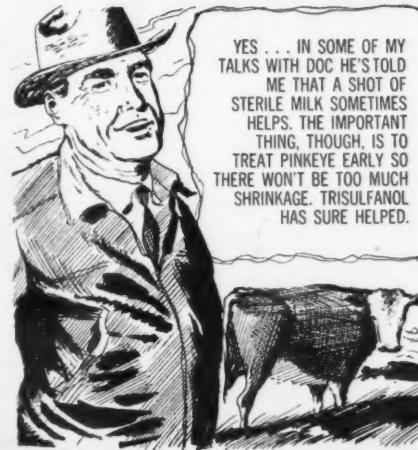
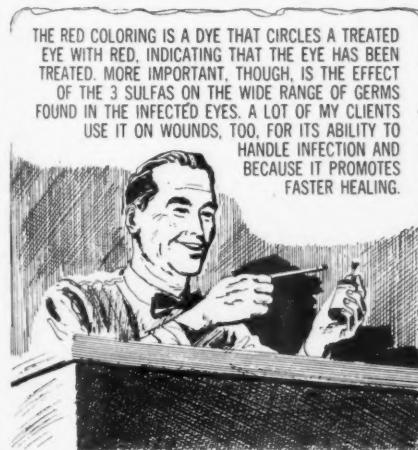
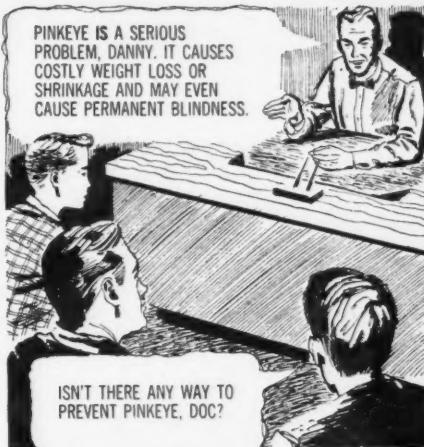
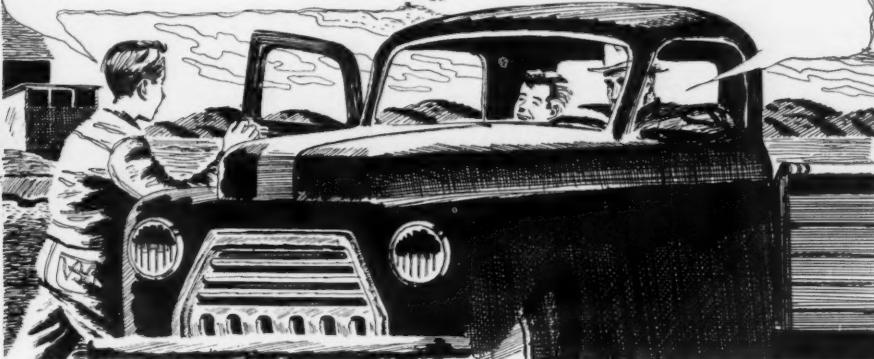
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Despite all the ups and downs the past month, prime steers showed no material strength as compared with a month earlier although many of the good and choice finished strong to 50 cents higher. Late sales of all grades, however, were materially above the recent low spot. Heifers looked mostly steady on a very uneven market. Beef cows were strong to 50 cents higher but canners and cutters were 50 cents or more lower. Bulls, on the other hand, advanced 50 cents to \$1 while calves and vealers were \$1 to \$3 higher.

Prime beef steers at Chicago scored \$42.25, the highest since February, but top prime kinds were absent on the closing bulge. Previously this year top registered at \$42.50, a price now quotable. Many of the high choice to prime went at \$39 to \$41.50 with choice usually going at \$36 to \$39. Commercial to low choice frequently scored \$31.50 to \$35.50 and some utility steers had to go at \$29 to \$30.50.

Prime 1,090-pound heifers at \$39 stood the highest since 1948 and a few other loads landed at \$38.25 to \$38.75 but bulk good and choice made \$32 to \$37.50. Utility and low good sold at \$27 to \$31.50. Some good fed cows went at \$30 to \$31.50 but most of the utility to commercial landed at \$24.25 to \$29.50. It was largely a \$20.50 to \$24 canner and cutter market but shelly canners often went below \$20. Utility and commercial bulls went at \$28 to \$32 with a top of \$32.50, good and choice offerings going at \$31 to \$32. Vealers usually sold at \$40 down but some prime late reached \$41.

Demand for the Blue Stem and Osage pastures of Kansas and Oklahoma was the strongest on record with lease prices at record levels. About 96 per cent of the available pastures were engaged by Apr. 1 as against only 62 per cent a year ago. Cattle are moving in earlier and feed prospects are good. Kansas leases for steers and cows were from \$15 to \$25 per head, with young cattle at \$8 to \$16, while the Oklahoma leases called for \$12 to \$17 per head for steers and cows and \$8 to \$12 for young cattle.

Cattle On Feed Up 4 Per Cent

Cattle on feed in the 11 Corn Belt states on Apr. 1 showed an increase of 4 per cent from a year ago, the equivalent of 110,000 head. Illinois and Indiana were the only two states not showing an increase. Most feeders expect to market a slightly bigger percentage of their holding before July 1. About 65 per cent of the cattle on feed Apr. 1 had been on feed over three months. In eight states reporting on corn stocks, the supply of corn on feeders' farms was smaller than last year.

Stocker and feeder demand has been influenced very little by the trend in fat cattle prices, only the uncertainty of the immediate future keeping some of the prospective buyers out of the market for replacements. Outlet at most of the mar-

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One of the interesting displays at the New Mexico meeting was this rain-making exhibit, being admired by Ray Sais, Scholle; Riss Bishop, Scholle, and Dave McDonald, Socorro.

Improving Herds Interests N. Mex.

A WHOPPING ATTENDANCE of some 2,500 persons was on hand for the 37th annual convention of the New Mexico Cattle Growers Association, Mar. 26-27 at Albuquerque. After Roy Forehand opened the meeting and welcoming addresses and responses had been made, the delegates settled down to hear speakers Allan B. Kline, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, Chicago; Ralph Trigg, administrator of the PMA, Washington, and a beef cattle clinic on herd improvement headed by George F. Ellis of the Bell Ranch.

Another forum discussion took up the market outlook; our public stockyards, and the implications of government price regulations. The international crisis and the home front provided the subject for Dr. Waldo E. Stephens, executive vice-president of the Stephens Oil Company at Oklahoma City.

Farrington R. Carpenter of Hayden, Colo., often called the father of the Taylor Grazing Act, outlined the new

grazing proposal under consideration which would set uniform rates to be charged for grazing of cattle under the Forest Service, the Taylor Act or the state. Homer Davison, executive vice-president of the American Meat Institute, Chicago, and Miss Rita Campbell of the department of nutrition, National Live Stock and Meat Board, Chicago; Governor Dan Thornton of the neighboring state of Colorado, a well known cattleman in his own right, and the governor of New Mexico, Edwin L. Mechem, rounded out the formal speakers roster.

Albert K. Mitchell of Albert, a former president of the New Mexico organization (and of the American National also) presented one of the important resolutions adopted by the convention. It asked for establishment of a definite federal government policy militarily, with protection for the nation against aggression and a program consistent with the long-range economic stability of the United States. An appeal was made for a "pay-as-we-go" tax program and the elimination of waste. Government regulations such as price controls were roundly condemned.

In other resolutions the New Mexico

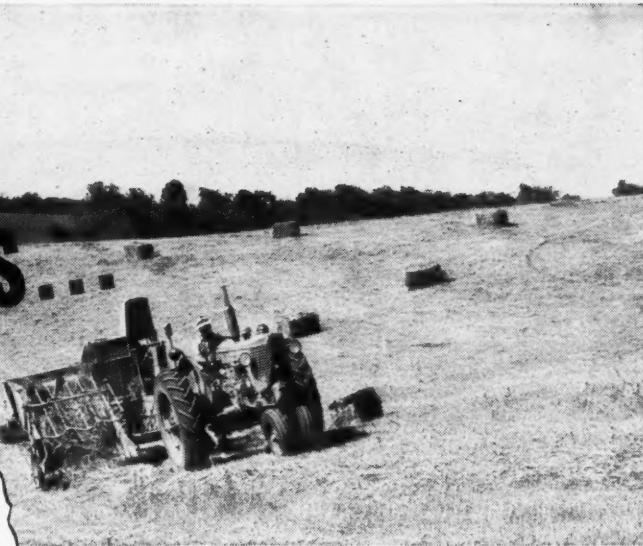


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Cattle Growers favored development of legislation for guidance in "weather-making;" called for a delay in grazing cuts until advisory boards are set up and can give permittees opportunity to appeal such cases; urged consideration of livestock production needs in drafting of men for the armed services. They recommended continued vigilance on foot-and-mouth disease; asked the congress not to disturb the BAI's status in any reorganization of the USDA; opposed present stand of Internal Revenue Service denying capital gains on breeding animals except in reduction of herd.

Officers of the association were re-elected. These include: Roy Forehand, Carlsbad, president; Hal R. Cox of Las Cruces, J. S. Culberson of Lordsburg, Ed Heringa of Clayton and W. R. Thompson of Santa Rosa, vice-presidents; Horace H. Hening of Albuquerque, secretary-treasurer.

Trespass, Theft La. Problems

THE NEW PRESIDENT OF THE Louisiana Cattlemen's Association is George L. Gayden, Jr., of Gurley. He was elected at the organization's 21st annual meeting in Shreveport some weeks ago, to succeed Mixon Bankston of Dry Prong. Re-elected to office were Ike Hamilton, West Monroe, first vice-president; Frank Tuten, Lake Charles, southwest district vice-president; Leland Colthorpe, DeRidder, northwest district vice-president; Harry Post, Luling,

southeast district vice-president. Lee Warner of Columbia was named vice-president for the northeast district. W. T. Cobb of Baton Rouge is the secretary-treasurer of the association.

A feature of the first day, Mar. 27, was the annual evening banquet, where Carl Thompson of Oklahoma A. & M. College, Stillwater, addressed the guests. Other addresses, during the following business day's business sessions, included a report on activities of the American National Cattlemen's Association by Executive Secretary F. E. Mollin of Denver; Rilea A. Doe, vice-president of Safeway Stores, Oakland, Calif.; Gen. Troy L. Middleton, president of Louisiana State University; Milton Jarnagan, animal husbandman at the University of Georgia, and Dean J. G. Lee, Louisiana State University at Baton Rouge.

Vice-President Hamilton talked to the delegates about the January convention of the American National in San Francisco, and Sylvan Friedman of Natchez, who is a vice-president of the National, spoke briefly in support of the work of the organization. Governor Earl Long also addressed the convention.

Well over 300 persons turned out for the Louisiana meeting, and good spirits prevailed despite rainy weather.

The 1952 meeting will be held in Lake Charles, as voted during one of the sessions. Other steps taken included the adoption of a number of resolutions—among them:

A request for an adequate trespass statute which would redefine trespass as "the unauthorized and intentional entry upon any enclosed or fenced tract of land; one asking the state brand com-

mission to establish rules and regulations for the movement of cattle that will make cattle thievery more difficult; another calling for legislation that will provide proper penalty for fence destruction and poisoning of animals.

A strong protest against subsidies for or controls over meat as injurious to production; urgent recommendation that the Reciprocal Trade Act extension include amendments to safeguard American industry, labor and agriculture; opposition to the proposal by the BAI to extend federal meat inspection to intrastate packers on a fee basis.

Approval of a voluntary program of calfhood vaccination against brucellosis; commendation for the work of the National Live Stock and Meat Board.



Picture shows members of Ida. convention panel discussion. (L. to r.) Nelson Hogan, Bancroft; Earle Reed, Union Pacific Railroad, Omaha; Milford Vaught, Bruneau, the moderator; Jerry Sotola, Armour & Company, Chicago, and A. R. Knowles, Safeway Stores, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Idaho Cattlemen Decry Rollbacks

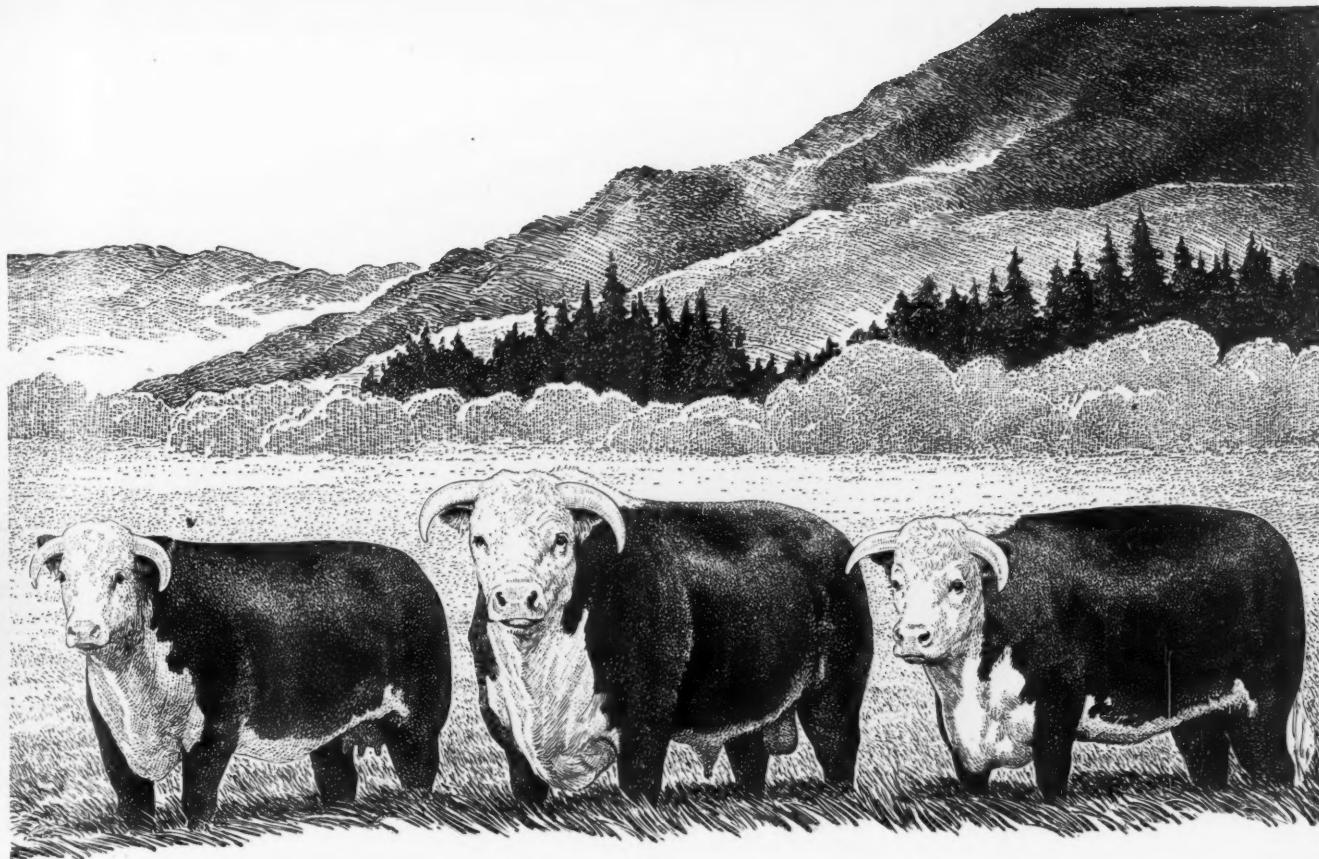
WHEN Loren C. Bamert, president of the American National Cattlemen's Association, addressed the 37th convention of the Idaho Cattlemen's Association in Pocatello some weeks ago (see April PRODUCER), he had just returned from Washington, D. C., where he had taken part in a conference aimed at increasing production in the present national emergency. "There is no one, in or out of industry," he assured his listeners, "who can write a price control law that will work." He voiced a conviction that if all controls on meat were to be eliminated, the step would stabilize the industry and insure greater meat production.

Resolutions adopted by the Idaho stockmen were in keeping with this feeling; they protested government action which would reduce livestock prices, and congressmen from the state were urged to fight against any rollbacks in cattle prices "while costs of production continue to increase."

Other measures strongly recommended improved beaver and antelope numbers control, and asked also for reduction in big-game populations proportionate to the numbers of cattle now held off overgrazed land. Federal assurance was sought in connection with supplies of needed fertilizer, fuel and repair parts for machinery. Other requests concerned allocation of adequate



Officers elected at the annual convention of the Louisiana Cattlemen's Association in Shreveport, Mar. 27-28, are (l. to r.): G. Lee Warner, vice-president, northeast district, Columbia; George Gayden, Jr., president, Gurley; Leland Colthorpe, vice-president, northwest district, DeRidder; Ike Hamilton, first vice-president, West Monroe; Frank Tuten, vice-president, southwest district, Lake Charles; W. T. Cobb, secretary-treasurer, Baton Rouge; Harry Post, vice-president, southeast district, Luling; Bentley Mackay, assistant secretary, Baton Rouge.



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steel for freight car construction, and funds for rodent control and noxious weed control. Work of the National Livestock and Meat Board and of the American Meat Institute was commended.

The Idaho Cattlemen will hold their 1952 meeting in Boise; dates will be selected later.

Association Notes

The Northwest Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association will hold its sixth annual meeting at Woodward on Thursday, May 10. Around 75 stockmen recently met under sponsorship of the Major County members.

Hal Cooper of Ft. Supply, the organization's vice-president, was elected a director of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association when that association held its 74th annual convention in Dallas recently.

The Oklahoma group recently named two new directors: S. S. McColgin of Reydon, who succeeds J. Warren Chalfant of Cheyenne, recalled to active duty with the army, and Peck Shewey of Fairview (re-election).

Last month, in Montana, the Sula and Darby stock associations jointly sponsored a free showing in a Hamilton theater of the American National's public relations film, "All Flesh is Grass." The public was invited and about 875 persons—more than half of them students—came to the three showings.

The 22nd annual meeting of the North Dakota Stockmen's Association opens June 7 at Fargo for three days of sessions and a round of speeches and panel discussions. The program has been pretty well lined up, and it is hoped that the ladies of the association can at that time organize a CowBelles association. Juniors are also to come in for some special attention.

About 150 Stillwater County (Mont.) stockmen attended a Mar. 31 meeting of the Beartooth Stockgrowers Association in Absarokee. The gathering was presided over by President William Mackay of Roscoe, who was later re-elected, together with Grant Hammon of Fishtail, vice-president, and Ingvald Johnson of Absarokee, secretary.

Dr. T. P. Chaires of Bradenton has been elected president of the Manatee County (Fla.) Cattlemen's Association. Other officers newly named include W. S. Isherwood, Bradenton, vice-president; J. E. Thomas, Palmetto, secretary-treasurer.

Directors of the newly formed Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association recently met at Oklahoma City and took action on several matters. These included the selection of Lyle Boren of Seminole, for

To Convention on Horseback

THE hardy Washington cattleman is again planning this spring on the horseback ride which has become a traditional means of getting to the annual convention of the Washington Cattlemen's Association. This year's meeting takes place May 17-19 at Chehalis-Centralia. A good deal of careful planning is going into the "gentlemen on horseback" ride which will start at Spokane at 5:00 in the morning, May 11, and will, for the first half of the trip, proceed at a 6-mile-an-hour clip, with the participants "burying their dead where they drop," according to a recent writeup in The Lariat, news sheet of the association. The pace will slow to 4 miles an hour when the Cascades are crossed, and riders are preparing to spend from 10

to 15 hours a day in the saddle for seven full days. Climax will be arrival at the Cowboy Breakfast, where the horsemen will be greeted with a rousing, deserved ovation.

Chuck Glover is in charge of arrangements for the ride. Recently, when he was asked why the men undertake a ride like that, he replied: "For me the old adage, 'The outside of a horse is the best thing for the inside of a man,' is a deep-rooted belief. When I ride 20 miles a day, three or four days a week, I feel better, physically and mentally. And when I get myself and a horse ready for the long spring trip, I get that same feeling of 'fitness' that an athlete feels after being in training. This is something you cannot buy in a drug store." That seems like a pretty good answer.

mer congressman, to be the executive secretary of the association. It was voted to post a \$250 reward for arrest and conviction in cattle theft cases involving members' animals. The state governor was asked to include in the state crime bureau staff one man whose time would be devoted to cattle thefts, which have been on the increase. President of the association is Dr. W. E. Grisso of Seminole.

The Merced-Mariposa Cattlemen's Association met at Merced, Calif., Mar. 5. Officers elected at that time include the following: George W. Robinson, president; W. R. Wyre, first vice-president; Warren Houlihan, second vice-president; H. G. Kelsey, secretary-treasurer.

Recent Florida meetings have brought about the following officer elections—

Glades County: Fred Montsdeoca, president, succeeding Logan King, who now becomes first vice-president; W. H. Pee-

ples, second vice-president; A. G. Hutchinson, secretary-treasurer.

Leon County: J. C. Headley, re-elected president; Dr. John Williams, vice-president; Charles G. Hays, secretary-treasurer.

Hillsborough County: Horace Miley, re-elected president; other new officers are Dave R. Crum, vice-president; J. O. Armor, secretary-treasurer.

Directors of the Florida State Cattlemen's Association held a meeting Apr. 9 at Kissimmee; in the absence of President Cushman S. Radebaugh of Orlando, Vice-President B. H. Griffin, Jr., of Frostproof presided. A resolution adopted at the meeting protested against recent statements of the Florida forestry board about "landowners with mercenary motives who think fires will improve the grazing for their stock." "The cattle industry deplores the inference, intentional or otherwise, that the Florida cattlemen is in the same category as a firebug or



Newly elected officers of the Cochise-Graham Cattle Growers Association in southeastern Arizona include (l. to r.) Jess Williams, Willcox, director; Mrs. H. L. Johnson, Willcox, secretary-treasurer; S. S. Shattuck, Bisbee, first vice-president; W. L. Ellsworth, Safford, president; Gerald Foote, Safford, third vice-president; Joe Lane, Willcox, director. (Richard Schaus photo.)

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those who burn woods illegally," the resolution said; and Mr. Griffin pointed out that "Proper burning of pastures not only helps the cattleman secure an early pasture, but there is ample evidence that controlled burning as practiced by the cattlemen of Florida eliminates the growth of brush which is the real danger in forest fire." The resolution asked for a continuation of the cooperation previously enjoyed with the forest service "in facing our mutual problems."

The legislative committee of the Florida State Cattlemen's Association, meeting Mar. 24 at Kissimmee, decided to ask for legislation covering an enforceable marks and brands law. The group also voted to support legislation to repeal the law that Florida beef be so stamped.

Officers elected for 1951 in the Central Washington Stockmen's Association include: John A. McMinimee, Outlook, president; Mark White, Yakima, vice-president; Marion Bunnell, Yakima, secretary; Ernest Myers, Outlook, treasurer.

At Hotchkiss, Colo., in a recent meeting the North Fork Anti-Rustling Association voted a standing cash award of \$1,000 for information leading to arrest and conviction in cattle thefts. Dues assessments were set at 3 cents per head and all stockmen were urged to protect their herds, even if small ones, by becoming members.

Washington Local Meetings—Attendance and interest were enthusiastically reported on a number of county meetings. Secretary J. K. "Pat" Ford, of the state association, was present at all the gatherings, as were several state land and range specialists and the head of the state brand inspection service, Joe McCauley. . . . **Lewis County**—Held an annual banquet and meeting the night before an all-breed sale at Centralia-Chehalis Fairgrounds. A week earlier, the following officers were elected: S. Jay Agnew, president; A. L. Hamilton, vice-president; Ernie Kuper, secretary-treasurer. . . . **Skagit County**—Met at an evening banquet in Sedro Woolley under chairmanship of President Art Ward. Election results were: J. T. Ovenell, president; Bill Jennings, Jr., vice-president; Fred Butler, secretary-

treasurer. . . . **Grays Harbor**—Had noon luncheon meeting and election of officers, as follows: J. W. (Bill) Bennett, president; Ralph Minard, vice-president; Floyd Svinth, secretary-treasurer. . . . **Pierce County**—This meeting was presided over by Harold Bowman. New officers are Harold Bowman, president; Truman Wilcox, vice-president; F. W. Plotner, secretary-treasurer. . . . **Cow-**

litz County—This annual meeting was chairmanned by Ted Conradi. Officers elected include: Stuart Bush, president; Arthur Gardner, vice-president; Anabel E. Conradi, secretary-treasurer. . . . **Pend Oreille**—This was the group's 18th annual meeting, and a peppy one. Officers named are: Hugh Bell, president; Dale Harter, vice-president; Roy Redenour, treasurer; Earl Hupp, secretary.

In the States' Hopper

Colorado: Governor Thornton has signed a bill providing for inspection of livestock at the point of origin. . . . The governor, on the other hand, vetoed a bill which would transfer livestock sanitary work and regulations over beef cattle to the state board of stock inspection commissioners.

Colorado's Governor Thornton has vetoed a bill which would have required that the federal government get approval of county commissioners and the state tax commission, as well as pay taxes for land to be acquired in the state. The governor indicated that he did not feel anything should interfere with "the safety of our country," referring to plans for building a proposed air force academy and atomic production plant in Colorado. "These plants have to be located somewhere," he said, and "they might as well be (here)."

California: The senate has passed and sent to the assembly a bill which would extend for two more years the life of the state livestock sanitary committee.

Florida: Representative Irlo Bronson, former president of the Florida State Cattlemen's Association, last month introduced a bill to take marks and brands inspection from the department of agriculture and place it under the state livestock sanitary board. . . . inspection fees would be increased from 10 to 25 cents per head, regardless of number; the fee for recording marks and brands would be \$1. . . . The state senate has passed a measure designed to stop cattle rustling in the northern section, by repealing the law which exempted counties from the requirement that cattle be marked and branded. . . . Both houses have killed a bill which would have required livestock to be fenced off all roads, highways and private and public property.

Oklahoma: Cattle entering Oklahoma for dairy or breeding purposes must be identified as originating directly from a certified Brucellosis-free herd, according to a new state law; otherwise, they must have passed a negative agglutination test applied 30 days prior to entry. . . . Steers may come into the state for feeding and grazing purposes when accompanied by a special permit or official health certificate; if not kept separate from dairy and breeding cattle, they will be subject to quarantine and test. . . . Cattle officially vaccinated when not more than eight months of age will be admitted up to 24 months of age without a negative test if accompanied by an official health certificate.

Oregon: Governor Douglas McKay has signed a bill repealing the state's 36-year ban on the sale of colored margarine.

Kansas: Though previously unanimously passed by the senate, a bill to repeal a law prohibiting use of oleomargarine in state institutions has been killed in the lower house.

BRAND CONFERENCE TO TAKE PLACE AT BILLINGS, MONT., JUNE 25-26

The annual convention of the Western States Brand Conference is to be held in Billings, Mont., June 25-26. Reservations are in the hands of the Billings Commercial Club, and all interested states, livestock associations and individual stockmen are invited to have representation. President of the group is O. J. Shaw of Idaho and the secretary is Ralph Miracle of Helena, Mont. Directors include M. J. Knickerbocker of Oregon, Claude Olson of South Dakota, A. K. Barton of Utah, Henry F. Wilson of Oklahoma and Wm. S. Perry of Alabama.



Re-elected officers of the New Mexico Cattle Growers Association. (L to r.) J. S. Culberson, Lordsburg, vice-president; Ed Heringa, Clayton, vice-president; Roy Forehand, Carlsbad, president; Hal R. Cox, Las Cruces, vice-president; W. R. Thompson, Santa Rosa, vice-president; Horace H. Hening, Albuquerque, secretary-treasurer. . . . (Campus Camera photo.)

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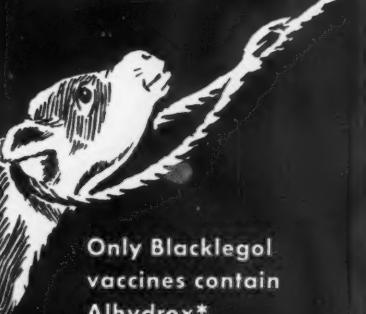
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Nebr. Regional Well Attended

SEVEN HUNDRED stockmen and their wives attended the North Platte regional meeting of the Nebraska Stock Growers Association, Apr. 26, presided over by President J. H. Vinton of Gordon.

Dr. E. P. Anderson, state veterinarian, told the audience that if we have another world war, there is a good chance of bacterial warfare being employed by the enemy because food is important.

Irwin Adamson of Cody, a past president of the association, told the stockmen that the Nebraska brand committee has inspected 2,000,000 head of cattle, and held more than 18,000 for proof of ownership—not necessarily implying irregularities—but his suggestion was that a big, wide-faced iron be used in all branding.

Bern R. Coulter of Bridgeport, in an effective talk on "Your Association and You," said that we live in a day of organization and cited labor as an example of what can be done through concerted action. He cited the effective work of the state and American National associations.

Oppose Price Control

Resolutions opposed price control and subsidies, and asked the government to establish a program that represents a goal in international affairs; asked Selective Service to give due consideration to essential key men in agriculture—consideration equal to that given other essential industries.

Howard J. Gramlich, agricultural agent for C&NW Railroad, said that feeders are tending to keep animals for longer feed and are using more pasture in the process. He said that they will not, however, be a competitive factor as breeders.

Congressman Wesley D'Ewart from Montana, said that UMT bills are in agreement on deferment of agricultural workers. He declared that since price control deals only with the effects, inflation must be checked at its source. He did not believe price controls would end in two years, as Economic Stabilizer Eric Johnston has indicated.

A lively and uninhibited speaker was Miss Vivien Kellums of Stonington, Conn., who told the group that our fundamental freedom is based on right of ownership and that representation in taxation is a fundamental of our freedom. Miss Kellums is in court with the government on the question of whether or not she must pay for her employees the withholding tax.

Dr. William H. Alexander of Oklahoma City was the banquet speaker.

MOST OF CORN FED TO LIVESTOCK

About 85 per cent of all corn grown is fed to livestock. Hogs eat 42 per cent, beef cattle 8 per cent and lambs 7 per cent; dairy animals eat about 10 per cent, poultry 15 per cent, and horses and mules 10 per cent.

MARKETS

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kets has been good by reason of light to moderate supply, but in producing areas buyers and sellers are far apart, particularly when dealing for cattle for fall delivery. There is less hesitancy when it comes to buying for current delivery. Often a buyer will leave one area and travel to another before making a deal.

Stocker and feeder cattle prices at Chicago were mostly 50 cents higher than a month earlier but light yearlings were up more, while there was no material change in prices for calves. The trend at some of the other markets showed even greater firmness. One set of buyers takes nothing but calves and short yearlings and another set insists on fleshy 850- to 950-pound steers, those with more weight finding a comparatively uncertain outlet.

Medium to low choice stocker and feeder steers at Chicago sold at \$31 to \$35.50 and good to choice 829-pound kinds sold at \$36. Common went down to \$28. Some 600-pound Canadians landed at \$34.50. Many choice yearlings at some of the other points went at \$37 to \$38.50 and short yearlings at \$40 to \$41.50, heifers selling frequently at \$32 to \$36.50. Stock cows were very scarce. Many good and choice steer calves around the circuit landed at \$38 to \$43.50 and some sold above \$44, with comparable heifer calves at \$37 to \$42.50.

Vealer weight stock calves selling at \$40 to \$50 and even as high as \$52.50 were worth around \$38 to \$41 from a killer standpoint. Many are surprised at the keen country competition for these baby calves but each season the outlet seems to get bigger, probably meaning that when properly handled these little calves make plenty of money.

Hog Tendency Down

Hog prices jumped around frequently but the general price tendency was down although hogs continued to sell far below cattle. Closing prices were around 50 cents to \$1 lower than a month earlier at Chicago where the percentage of sows was smaller than a year ago. Receipts the last week of March were the largest since January but all during April the supply was light to moderate. At the start of April and on a few other days best butchers reached \$21.75 but the closing top was \$21.50 and weights up to 250 pounds were selling at the highest figure. Best light sows reached \$20. Feeder pigs at the midwest markets have been selling generally at \$20 to \$22.

Development of early spring lamb crop was retarded during March but lambs in California maintained their high condition. Lambs were in good condition in the Pacific Northwest on Apr. 1. Early lamb prospects in Texas declined, and the condition of early lambs in the Southeast was slightly below normal. Marketings in California are expected to be

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earlier but markets from many other areas will be later.

Sheep and lamb receipts were seasonally light and only light supplies are in sight for the next 90 days. After that much will depend upon how extensive contracting of fat lambs by packers in producing areas becomes. Pelt credits were forced around \$3 lower than the recent high time and this had a bearish influence on prices for woolen lambs.

Many of the late lambs at Chicago were around \$2 lower than a month earlier but there was some recovery from the recent low spot. Spring lambs to date have been scarce. Sluggish dressed trade has hurt the live market but only excessively heavy lambs suffered severe discrimination. At times shorn offerings made up a large percentage of the supply.

Fat woolen lambs worth \$40.50 a month ago finished around \$38.50 and on the low spot the market was the lowest since February. The year's top on woolen lambs is \$42.50. Shorn lambs went at \$34 to \$38 but those above \$34.75 were usually fall or summer shorn.

Slaughter ewe prices receded sharply and although some woolen early made \$22.50 to \$23 the later sales were largely at \$21 to \$22 for the good and choice. Shorn ewes sold up to \$18 with most late deals from \$17 down. Feeder lambs were very scarce at most terminal markets but prices declined. In much of the range are the contract price for new crop lambs for fall delivery is generally \$35.

American National Planning Book About Ranch Women

Negotiations in progress for some months have now been completed with the University of Oklahoma Press for the publishing of a book, entitled "Hell on Horses and Women," sponsored by the American National as a project of the public relations committee.

Originally intended for a give-away booklet to summarize some of the experiences of pioneer and modern-day ranch women, the material received proved so voluminous that it was decided to turn over the task of correlating it to a recognized writer. Alice Marriott, who has had excellent notices and sales on such books as "Marie: The Potter of San Ildefonso," "The Valley Below" and "The Ten Grandmothers," and who has also authored many articles appearing in national periodicals, was chosen to do the job.

Miss Marriott was born on an Oklahoma ranch and has a real understanding of the cattle country and its people. In order to get full and authentic background facts from the ladies whose stories will be used in the book, she will visit these ranch women at their homes in person during the next few months.

The book will be marketed through established publication merchandising media as another step in good public relations.

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Sell Your Scrap

The need for conserving important materials—particularly iron and steel scrap—is being stressed. Mills and foundries are reported very short of such materials and industrialists and government officials are being asked to turn over all they can find. The general public is not asked, at this time, to join in such a collection drive, but farmers will be urged to participate, in an effort to break up a major bottleneck in steel production . . . The USDA is also calling for conservation and maximum re-use of burlap and cotton bags and other similar products. On the basis of World War II experience, it is to be expected that demand for burlap and cotton will increase substantially during the current defense emergency. Outlook for getting burlap from abroad is not good, and specific suggestions are that bags be kept in use and be handled carefully.

Weather Association Promotes Model Law

The National Weather Improvement Association, which has headquarters at Ft. Collins, Colo., favoring legislation to provide for "orderly and continuing progress in the fields of weather improvement," has had a law drawn up, which passed the Colorado legislature, providing for a weather control commission to make necessary regulations; the commissioner of agriculture to issue licenses; the state engineer and the commissioner of agriculture to administer the act. Licensees must show financial responsibility and skill in their work. They must report on their operations under rules set up by the commission. Licenses cost \$100. Violations of the law or lack of qualifications necessary would mean revocation of the license and rulings of the commission are reviewable in the district court of the City and County of Denver or the state supreme court. Cooperation of neighboring states is invited but Colorado operators are prohibited from working in Colorado to affect weather in any state which prohibits operations in that state for the benefit of Colorado. Violations of the law are misdemeanors carrying fines up to \$1,000 or imprisonment for 60 days or both.

World Cattle Numbers At New High Level

World cattle numbers at the start of 1951 were estimated at 806.3 million head—a preliminary estimate which places the world cattle population at a record level and about 2 per cent more than the revised estimates for 1950. Current numbers are 8 per cent above the 1936-40 pre-war average, with a further moderate increase in prospect during 1951. However, a tightening of feed supplies in many important cattle areas may curtail further expansion of herds.



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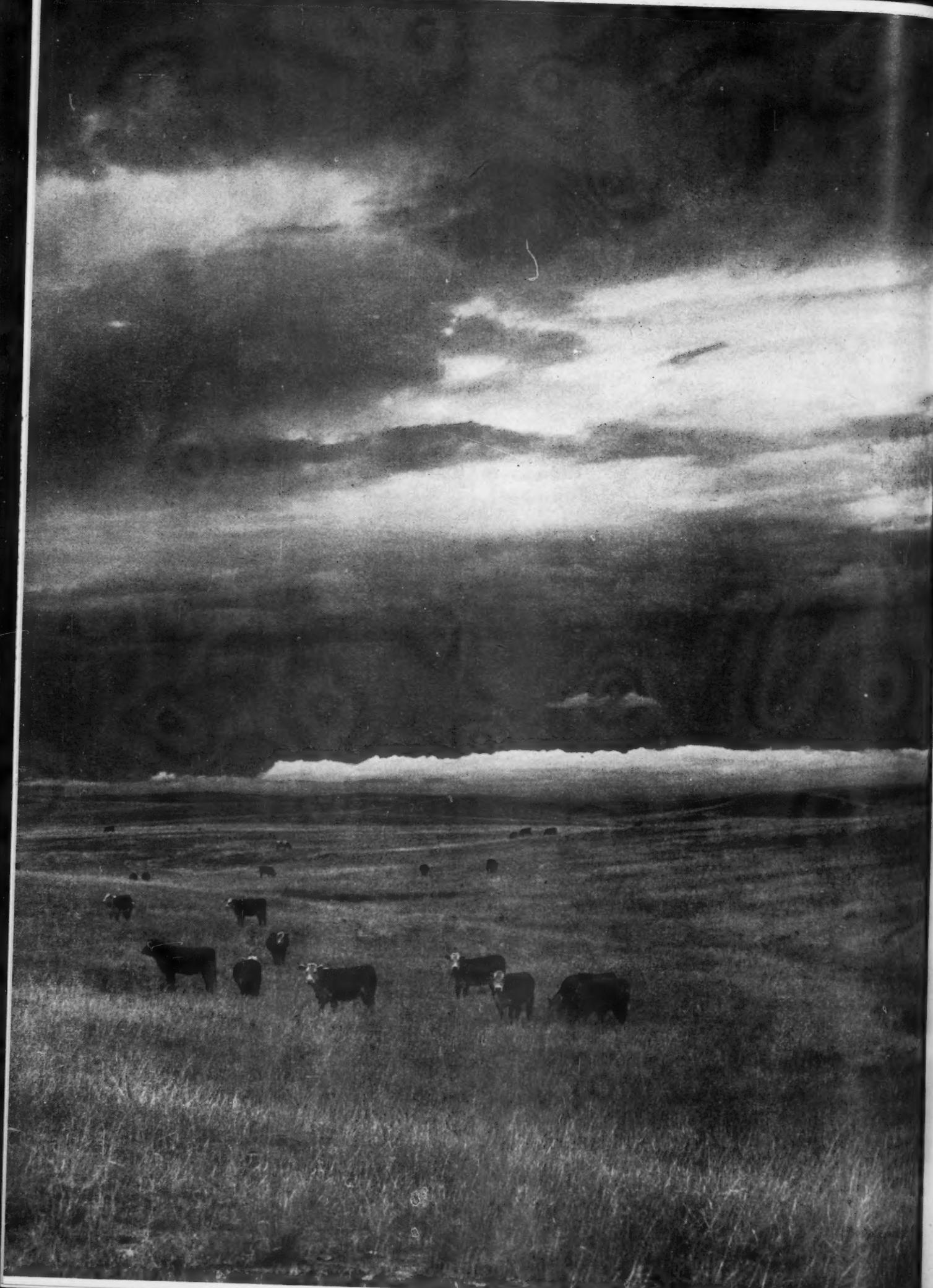
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WASHINGTON NOTES

The Bureau of Land Management has announced that under provisions of a revised lease form and amended regulations, restoration of the surface of lands and reasonable steps to prevent water pollution are required of producers who take coal from public lands. Several other changes have been made in regulations providing for the leasing of coal from public lands, as well as certain changes in the lease form. These changes, in general, will reduce paper work and exchange of correspondence, thereby contributing to efficiency in handling of leases. One other provision in the amended regulations provides for a limitation on overriding royalties.

Recreational use of national forests reached an all-time high during the past year, says the USDA, with 27,367,800 Americans visiting lands administered by the Forest Service. The record is 5 per cent greater than in 1949 and 52 per cent greater than in 1941, the highest pre-war year.

A new regulation has been put in effect by the Bureau of Animal Industry concerning imported cured and cooked meats from countries where foot-and-mouth disease exists. Under the regulation, all bones must be removed, the meat must be held unfrozen for at least seven days, it must be cured by salt or cooked and when so directed must be consigned directly from port of entry to a meat-processing plant.

The USDA has announced that grading fees charged for federal meat grading service will be increased from \$3 to \$3.60 per hour. The increase was made following a thorough analysis of the current cost of the program.

According to a recent USDA report, one of every six dairy cows will be bred artificially in 1951, judging from the more than 4,000,000 dairy cows in nearly 500,000 herds which are now in artificial breeding associations.

TRAFFIC

The nation's railroads have requested a freight rate increase of 15 per cent, in a petition filed March 28 with the ICC. They base the request on continuing rises in the cost of wages and materials, supplies and fuel since Jan. 1. This petition is not in addition to, but includes, the interim increase of 2 to 4 per cent authorized by the ICC on Mar. 12, and the request for a 6 per cent general freight rate increase filed Jan. 16.

In the decision of the Interstate Commerce Commission authorizing the interim increase in freight rates of 2 and 4 per cent, no increases are authorized in connection with charges for loading and unloading livestock; demurrage charges or charges for protective service such as refrigeration.

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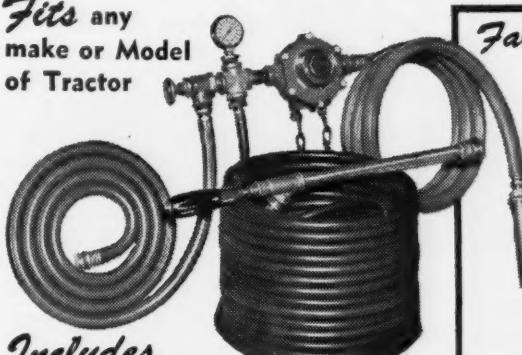


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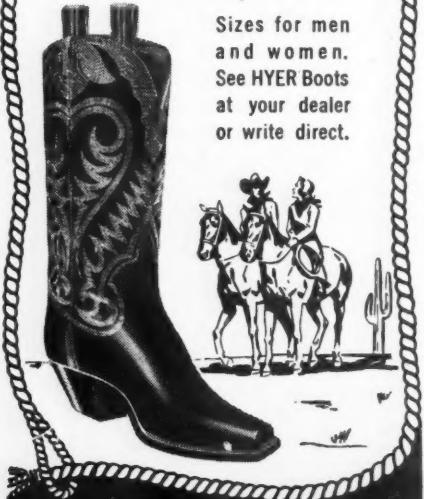
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To encourage greater production of livestock in its territory, the Union Pacific Railroad is making distribution of a 64-page booklet entitled "Livestock." (Copies of this illustrated pamphlet may be obtained by writing to Joe W. Jarvis, supervisor, Agricultural Development Department, UPRR, Omaha 2, Nebr.) The book is divided into six major sections: Beef Cattle, Sheep, Swine, Livestock Shipping, Loss Prevention and Miscellaneous information. Subheadings under Beef Cattle cover breeds, establishing a herd, herd management, spring operations, feeding cattle for market and cattle diseases and insects.

The traffic department of the Union Pacific Railroad has brought a helpful little book, "Live Stock Shipping Guide and Directory." This contains much information on requirements before shipment by rail into the various states; lists of buyers, commission firms, markets and auctions, and directions for shippers; feeding and loading information, etc.

The MacMillan Company (60 Fifth Ave., New York 11, N. Y.) has just brought out "The Home Veterinarian's Handbook" by E. T. Baker. A handy guide for easy, quick reference when emergencies strike among your farm animals and poultry. Over 700 subjects arranged alphabetically, and more than 50 photographs show animals stricken with some of the common ailments. (\$3.)

"Is Your Choice Inflation?" That is the question which titles a booklet just brought out by the American Farm Bureau Federation in an attractive, sketch-illustrated form which is an easily understandable treatment of a complicated subject.

"Round-up Recipes," is a new book of western cookery edited by Bonnie and Ed Peplow. The 300 recipes it contains have been collected from the wives and mothers of active cattlemen who are members of the Arizona CowBelles Association. The 320-pager is being brought out May 21 at \$3, by World Publishing Co., 2231 W. 110th St., Cleveland 2, O.

Increased gains of 20 to 30 pounds per animal over a 38-day period may be obtained by range control of horse flies, according to a recently completed experiment at the Dixon Springs Station of the University of Illinois. This control on pasture was made possible by an automatic sprayer using a solution of pyrethrin spray, at a daily cost of between 1 and 2 cents per animal. Complete plans and instruction for constructing this sprayer may be obtained by writing to Natural History Survey Division, Natural Resources Bldg., Urbana, Ill., and asking for "Biological Notes No. 24."

Congressmen Take a Hand

A telegram has just been received from President Loren Bamer of the American National Cattlemen's Association, in Washington. Dated May 2, it says:

SENATE AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE TODAY PASSED RESOLUTION CALLING FOR REPEAL OF ROLLBACK, SAYING IT WOULD CAUSE MEAT FAMINE.

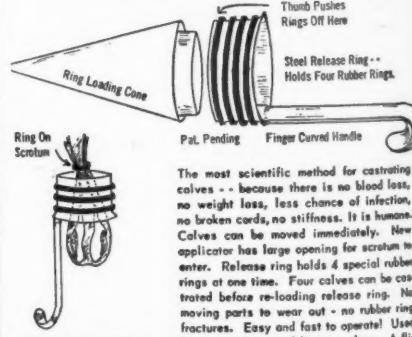
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NATIONAL HEREFORD PROGRAM SET FOR JUNE 12 AT SALINA

More than 1,500 producers of registered and commercial Herefords from virtually every state in the nation are expected to be in Salina, Kan., for the two-day second annual National Hereford Congress, June 12. The Congress will follow by a day the annual meeting of presidents and secretaries of state Hereford associations in Kansas City. Program features will include the keynote address by Dr. A. D. Weber of Kansas State College; general business sessions; panel discussions on meats, carcasses; purebred Herefords, and commercial cattle. Members of this last named panel will include Albert K. Mitchell of Albert, N. M., a former president of the American National Cattlemen's Association.

TUCSON SALE FIGURES

At the Tucson Livestock Show, Mar. 30-31, 79 head of beef cattle brought in a total of \$31,150, the top-selling bull being a Brahman bull which went for \$1,000. The top-selling Hereford bull brought \$850, and the highest pen of Hereford bulls sold at \$625 each. Champion steer in the junior division brought a record price of 95 cents a pound, and the reserve champion steer sold at 75 cents.

Horses were very much in evidence during the recent Tucson Livestock Show. One of them is shown here; he is "Browning's Billy The Kid," owned by J. E. Browning of Willcox, Ariz., and he took top honors in the calf horse contest. (Matt Culley Photo.)



POLLED HEREFORD SHOW SET

The American Polled Hereford Association announces that the 1951 national show sponsored by the association will be held in Louisville, Ky., Nov. 1-3. A premium of \$10,000 has been guaranteed for the event. Further details are available from the association's offices, 1110 Grand Ave., Kansas City 6, Mo.

TEXAS AND CALIFORNIA SCHEDULE HEREFORD SHOWS

Premiums totaling \$45,000 have been posted for the two national Hereford shows to be held during the 1951 show season. The first of these events will be the Pan-American Hereford Show, to be held in conjunction with the annual State Fair of Texas, at Dallas, Oct. 6-21. The second event carrying the national tag will be the Golden Gate National Hereford Show, in San Francisco, Oct. 26-Nov. 4. The two shows are being sponsored jointly by the Fair and Grand National Exposition management and the American Hereford Association. State Hereford associations of Texas and California will cooperate.

HEREFORD NUMBERS SPREADING

Texas, according to the American Hereford Association in a recent release, is the No. 1 Hereford state, based on purebred registrations issued during the first six months of the current fiscal year. Breeders in the Lone Star State recorded 27,211 calves in the period; and registrations for the six months hit a new record of 269,134, indicating an all-time high of approximately 500,000 for the whole year.

LOUISIANA HEREFORD SHOW DRAWS VISITORS FROM STATE

More than 50 cattlemen and businessmen at Natchitoches formed a group that attended the recent Louisiana Hereford Sale and Stock Show in Delhi, La. The tour was sponsored by the three banks of Natchitoches and was under the direction of the Chamber of Commerce agriculture committee with Stacy Williams in charge. Among the men making the tour were Sylvan Friedman of Natchez, a vice-president of the American National Cattlemen's Association, and American National Member T. L. Miller of Natchitoches.

FLORIDA SHOW CHAMPIONS

In Florida, the Norris Cattle Company of Ocala showed the grand champion female at the second annual Imperial Eastern Brahman Show in Bartow, Mar. 22. The J. D. Hudgins ranch of Hungerford, Tex., had the grand champion bull. The Norris firm showed the reserve champion bull, and Henry O. Partin & Sons of Kissimmee had the reserve champion female.

WHR GIFT BULL

Robert Lazear of the Wyoming Hereford Ranch at Cheyenne recently has given to the University of Wyoming agricultural experiment station a Holstein Friesian bull to be used as herd sire at both the main station in Laramie and at the Afton, Star Valley, substation.

POLLED HEREFORD BULL BRINGS \$42,000 IN MISSISSIPPI

At Senatobia, Miss., the eighth annual Panola-Tate Polled Hereford Association sale late in March set a record average of \$3,983 on 50 lots for a total of \$199,000.

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175. There were 11 bulls in the sale, which averaged \$8,154, and 39 females, which figured \$2,805. The champion bull took a record price for the breed of \$42,000; the champion female also set a record with \$11,250.

SHORTHORNS IN THE NEWS

Official records of the American Shorthorn Breeders Association at Chicago show that Shorthorn and Polled Shorthorn breeders throughout the country have established a new record-high average of \$598 for bulls sold at reported public auctions during the first quarter of a calendar year. This new record represents an increase of 51 per cent in prices over the same period last year. Gross sales for 1951 show that 1,124 purebred Shorthorn and Polled Shorthorn bulls were sold at auction for a total of \$672,413, as compared with 1,044 bulls for the first quarter of 1950, at a total of \$413,392. The combined bull and female average, representing 1,986 cattle, comes to \$550 per head at each of the auctions. This average, applied to the 9,964 private sales on record with the association during the first quarter of 1951 amounts to a record \$5,480,200 returned to breeder-members of the American Shorthorn Breeders Association during January, February and March of the present year.

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The entire herd of Shorthorns owned by Tanner Manor of Cortez, Colo., has been purchased by Tomson Bros. of Wakarusa, Kan. Approximately 40 animals were included in the transaction. The Tomson herd is one of the oldest Shorthorn herds in existence today, that is still under the same management that founded it in 1888 at Cover and Wakarusa, Kan.

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The 1951 National Polled Shorthorn Show and Sale at Springfield, Ill., Apr. 9-10, established a new record high average for the event, with 73 head sold for a total of \$60,725 to average \$832 on the sale. The animals went to buyers in 19 states and Australia, and the top price of the auction was \$2,500. The highest-selling female brought \$2,025.

WESTERN ANGUS GROUP NAMES TWO TO TOP POSTS

The new president of the Western Aberdeen-Angus Association is Les Ljungdahl of Lakewood, Colo. He succeeds the late Ed W. Serrell. Mr. Ljungdahl's former vice-presidential post in the organization will be filled by Frank Duffy.

PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL PLANS NEW JUNIOR DORMITORY

A new non-profit corporation recently organized in Oregon is the Pacific International Junior Dormitory Foundation. Administration of the foundation is vested in a board of trustees which includes R. L. Clark, president; W. Ervie Williams, vice-president; Walter A. Holt, secretary-treasurer, and the following

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The Pacific International Livestock Exposition, of which Mr. Holt is the

general manager, has deeded approximately 2 acres of land to be used as the dormitory site. Architect's plans and specifications have been completed; the finished building will have a capacity of 867 young people, and it is intended that it shall be made available for maximum use by groups other than 4-H



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Donations are being accepted at the Pacific International Junior Dormitory Fund, North Portland, Ore.

HEREFORD REGISTRATIONS BREAKING YEARLY RECORD

The nation's Hereford breeders set a new record in registrations during the first six months of the current fiscal year. Nearly 250,000 white-faced calves were given purebred certificates during the period—an increase of 31,485 over the registrations issued for the first half of the last fiscal year. Registrations for that last fiscal year totaled 426,971, to establish a new world's record for a breed association, with an increase of 56,956.

ERNEST MAY BUYS CHAMPION CANADIAN BULL

Ernest R. May, Jr., of the Antlers Ranch at Sunshine, Wyo., is new owner of the champion of the Calgary, Alberta, sale held recently. In addition to Caerleon Royal Dandy 9D, bought for \$7,200, the May ranch purchased 10 other top bulls. Mr. May is an executive committeeman of the American National.

NEW MEXICO HEREFORD ASSN. MEETS. ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

The New Mexico Hereford Breeders Association held a late-March meeting in Albuquerque. The 100 members present elected the following officers: E. N. Jeffers of Springer, president; Bert C. Roy, Rodgers, first vice-president; Parley Jensen, Albuquerque, secretary-treasurer. The group chose Oct. 23 as the date for a registered Hereford cattle sale; it will be held in Clovis. On Aug. 20-22 an association tour of northeastern New Mexico Hereford ranches will be held.

VON FORELL SALE AVERAGE \$985

In an early-April sale at Wheatland, Wyo., 64 head of von Forell Herefords brought a total of \$63,065 for \$985 average. The 46 bulls averaged \$1,105; 18 females, \$680. The top bull sold for \$1,900.

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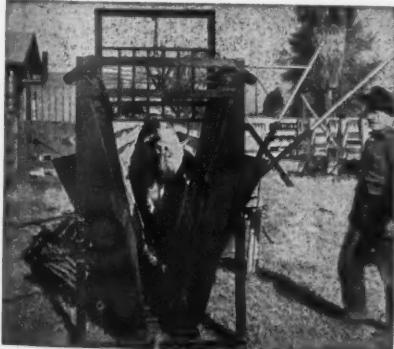
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N.D. HEREFORD RESULTS

The recent Minot Hereford Classic of the North Dakota Hereford Association grossed \$48,635 for 66 head, making a \$734 average. The grand champion bull of the sale was bought by Hopkins Hereford Ranch of Wing, N. D., for \$3,000. The reserve champion went for \$1,500, and the champion female, consigned by Madson and Forthun of Alexander brought \$800. Baumgarten Hereford Farm of Durbin had the reserve female of the sale, and sold the animal for \$800. The first and second prize pens of bulls brought \$750 and \$720, respectively, going to Patterson Land Company. The top pen of two brought \$2,900.

NEW WORLD RECORD PRICE

A new world's record price of \$70,500 has been paid for a Hereford bull sold by C. A. Smith at Fort Myers, Fla., to Louis Baucom.

WARNING ISSUED ON WEED SPRAY DANGER

Colorado farmers and ranchers have been warned by the state A&M College that some plants may build up increased amounts of potassium nitrate as a secondary response to the action of 2,4-D which has been sprayed intentionally or accidentally. Potassium nitrate is converted into a deadly poison in an animal's stomach. Such plants as sugar beet tops, oat hay and straw, pigweed, lambsquarter and other related weeds—if 2,4-D has been used—should be grazed or fed with caution to cattle or sheep.

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By Dorothy McDonald

I've long wished this column could reflect the view from all other ranch house windows, rather than always just my own. But since of course it cannot, perhaps the next-best thing is for us all to go journeying, now and then, into the homes and the lives of other CowBelles up and down the wide miles of our western rangeland.

That is the reason for this new feature. I hope you will like it.

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Meet the Neighbors!

What better place to start than at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred D. Boice, Jr., on the old P. O. Ranch just north of Cheyenne, Wyoming? Once, long ago, this was a Pony Express station. The present ranch house, now beautifully remodeled, was built about the time of the Civil War.

And here live Fred and Shirley Boice and their two children, Freddie III and Peggy—the third and fourth generation of Boices to whom the P. O. Ranch is home (though Shirley, born in Kansas, came to it by way of the New Jersey State Teachers College and a brief interlude of teaching in an all-colored school and at the N. J. State Home for Girls).

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Though she is a member of the state legislature of Wyoming—the first state, incidentally, to recognize women as vote-worthy human beings—Shirley Boice is one of us; a ranch wife, a mother, a member of our own CowBelle organization. So far as I've been able to discover, she's the first of our group to attain so high a political office.



Mrs. Fred Boice, Jr., whose busy life includes a seat in the Wyoming legislature.

She admits that her family tried to discourage her when first she planned to file for the legislature. "They felt," she says, "that I might run into many unpleasant situations, but quite the contrary has been true. At no time have I

ever regretted it; in fact, I'm looking forward to serving again if I am again elected."

She feels there is a great need for women in public office, and quotes with delight from a letter sent to herself and to Mrs. Madge Enterline of Casper, the other lady in the house, by Earl Chamberlain, speaker pro tem.

"As one who has been caustic if not meaningly critical of women legislators," he wrote, "I want to make an open confession—which, I am told, is good for the soul. Frankly, I believe the presence of ladies in the Wyoming legislature was the greatest moral tonic that we men could possibly have received. . . . You ladies were always so fine, so ladylike in your speech and deportment, so logical in your presentations, that instead of awakening bitterness you imbued us with an honorable desire to attempt to emulate you. May your tribe increase, and for the sake of good government in Wyoming, may more ladies of your ability, your discretion and your unselfish analytical minds find seats in the house of representatives!"

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I can't think of a better or more eloquent evaluation of the effect of women in political places. Shirley Boice and others like her make me glad to eat humble pie, happy to withdraw the remarks I made a few months ago about women having done too little, politically, to make this a better world in which to live. I guess I was forgetting that all w o r t h - w h i l e change is of slow growth and development, that people can change conditions o n l y very gradually—and that women, after all, are only people!

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Since she is still a very young woman, and both of her children are small—Freddie is eight and Peggy four—one question often asked her is, "How do you manage to be gone

from home during the 40 days of the session?"

The location of the ranch of course provides one answer to that. Since it is only 14 miles from town, she can drive there in a matter of 20 minutes.

"I commuted to the session, and never missed one night making it home," she says. "During the worst weather, my husband met me at the cattle guard with the jeep and escorted me across the two miles of pasture to the ranch buildings."

She did all her own housework, too, with the exception of the noon meal. "Mrs. James Nelson, wife of our foreman, who has been on the P. O. for more than 30 years, very kindly fed my husband and Peggy at noon," she says. Freddie, already in the third grade, of course was at school in Cheyenne each weekday.

"The main reason I could be gone from home was the fine cooperation of my husband," Mrs. Boice says proudly. "Without his help and understanding, I never could have done it. While he is not personally interested in being in politics, he is vitally interested in the issues. I sometimes had a harder time justifying my vote to him than I did on the floor of the house," she confesses ruefully.

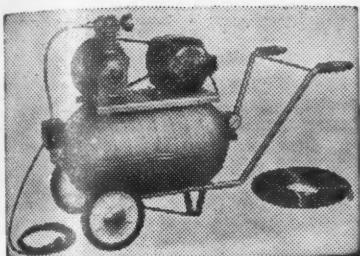
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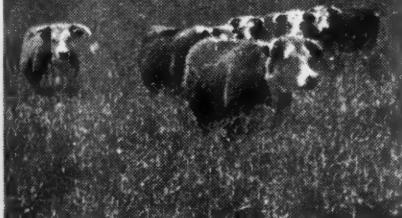
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know the Boices, of the P. O. Ranch, Cheyenne, a little? A young couple, loyal and devoted—parents—busy members of our own livestock industry—and good citizens, in every sense, of this great land of ours?

I hope it does.

At Home on the Range

"I love to cook," says Shirley Boice, "and I must admit that my family is much more impressed with my ability to make a chocolate cake than with my ability to present a bill on the floor of the house of representatives. And I guess that is the way it should be."

During the time the legislature was in session, Mrs. Boice became an authority on oven meals. Her gas stove has an electric timer, and she put supper into the oven before she left in the morning and found it practically ready to put on the table when she got home in the late afternoon.

"My greatest problem with oven meals," she says, "arose from the fact that my family does not like casserole dishes—or at least they think they don't."

She has had to devise meals that can be cooked together and yet served as separates at the table. One of her favorites is what four-year-old Peggy Boice calls, "Mommy's politicking stew." It is very simple. She just puts a shoulder roast in her savory roaster and precooks it, covering with water to which she has added sliced onions, salt, pepper and meat tenderizer. She allows that to cool. Then she places every vegetable she happens to have around the meat; carrots, onions, cabbage and potatoes is a good combination. She pops it into the oven, sets the control to turn on about an hour and a half before she expects to be home, and it is a very welcome aroma that greets her when she opens her kitchen door. All that is needed to complete a very satisfying meal is a green tossed salad and a simple dessert.

Fortunately, she says, all her family are ice cream fans and she usually keeps a jar of homemade fudge sauce in the refrigerator. This can be placed in hot water to warm during dinner. Sometimes she puts a can of date pudding in the oven with whatever else is cooking. She likes to serve that with whipped cream, hard sauce or ice cream.

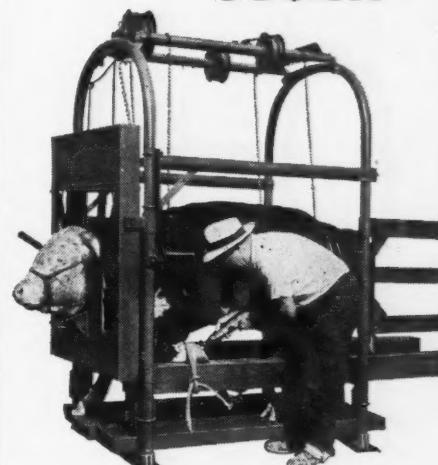
Fish is not one of the Boices' favorite foods, but disguised in a paprika-cream sauce it makes a very satisfactory dinner. She places fish fillets in a square buttered dish, covers them with a simple cream sauce, sprinkles the whole liberally with paprika. This can be made in the early morning and placed in the oven with the timer set for about 45 minutes before you want supper ready. Sitting all day does not bother the cream sauce. Canned sweet potatoes which have been candied with brown sugar, butter and cinnamon will warm in the same oven with the fish.

One of the Boices' best-liked supper

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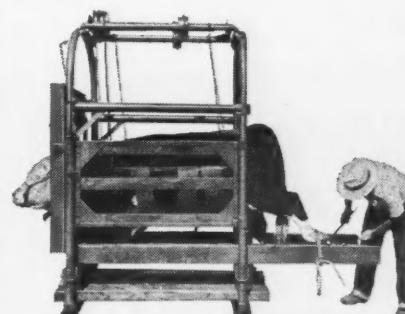
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A strong man lives
With tall and growing sons
A happy woman lives there, too
Or else a grumbling fool!

dishes is a simple sauerkraut and pork combination. She arranges a can of sauerkraut on the bottom of a baking dish, then places either pork chops or pork shoulder steaks on top, well salted and peppered. These bake in the oven for about an hour, uncovered. With this she usually serves well-seasoned applesauce and raw carrot sticks. She always keeps rolls in her freezer and they will usually brown while the table is being set and the coffee made. . . . "Though Freddie has developed into a champion table-setter," she admits, "and sometimes the rolls don't make it in time. He has just figured out that the faster he is, the sooner he will be eating."

Of course she uses the old standbys of scalloped potatoes with layers of either ham or pork—the secret of these, she believes, is to use a lot of finely-chopped onion with them. "In fact," she says, "I put onion in practically everything but ice cream." A quick salad she sometimes uses is made simply by cutting up little green scallions and adding them, with chopped pimiento, to cottage cheese.

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Of course, many of us do not need to plan our meals so well in advance as does Mrs. Fred D. Boice, Jr., member of the state legislature. But we can adapt much of her forethought to our own dinners on these white-and-gold May days.

When the sun seems newly-burnished in the sky—when the bees hum drunkenly along the apple bough—when the hills are white with manzanita and with wild plum thickets all a-bloom—who wants to stay indoors to brew and bake?

And so . . . good eating . . . and good evening to you all.

D.M.

CowBelle Notes

A note from Mr. L. C. Montgomery of Heber City, Utah, mentions the fact that the local county library has set aside one shelf to be known as "The Edna L. Montgomery Memorial Shelf," in honor of Mrs. Montgomery, who died on February 3 last, following a major operation. This library shelf will be devoted entirely to appropriate high class books related to the livestock industry. A large number of volumes has already been donated, and it promises to be quite an

outstanding feature of the library.

All the members of our organization who knew her will be happy to hear of this new living memorial to our own tireless member, Edna Montgomery.

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Mrs. Viola Kuhn of Longmont, Colo., writes: "The Colorado CowBelles have appointed a committee to revise their constitution and by-laws so that a group can be active or not, as they choose—but can you see the rugged individualism represented in the CowBelle organization being 'inactive' and sitting down and doing nothing?" Frankly, we can't!

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On April 13 Gwendolyn Leitzinger, Mrs. Rose, Mrs. Starr, and Mrs. Kuhn went to Buena Vista to put on a sample of the "panel discussions" that are being featured as public relations work by the Colorado CowBelles.

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New groups are popping up all over the state of Colorado; CowBelle memberships have increased by hundreds during the past winter, with prospect of several more groups being organized before the state meeting in June.

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One of the new CowBelle organizations was formed at Hugo last month. It started with a wonderful pot-luck luncheon at noon attended by 35 interested ladies. In the afternoon, officers were elected and the first year's program set up. (I am sorry not to have the names of the new officers. Better luck next time!)

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Have you heard our Colorado CowBelle Choristers yet? They have sung on many occasions, and over the radio, and are becoming deservedly popular. Plan to tune in on them sometime.

Wyoming's CowBelles are mightily set up about a forum discussion that will take place May 16 at Houston, Tex., on the subject of the conservation of natural resources. Occasion is the convenience to be found in the fact that Mrs. Mrs. of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, and a special cause for Fred D. Boice, the Wyoming group's vice-president, is the one who suggested the subject last fall, as a member of the convention program committee. The well known Farrington Carpenter of Hayden, Colo., will appear on the panel, and a highly interesting treatment of the matter seems assured if Bernard DeVoto can take the opposite corner as now scheduled. The ladies hope to be on hand with questions that will help to keep things humming, too.

The ladies of Colorado's new Lincoln County CowBelles have adopted a set of by-laws which include provision for membership of any woman whose husband, brother, father or son is engaged in livestock production or owns a recorded brand—or if this applies to herself, personally. The group held an all-day meeting Mar. 29, and met again Apr. 20 at Hugo.

Personal Mention

William B. Wright of Deeth, Nev., past president of the American National Cattlemen's Association, has been elected regional director of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce for the 9th district, which includes Nevada, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Colorado, Arizona and New Mexico.

James H. C. Allan: Mr. Allan, director of the National Renderers Association, passed away in San Francisco on Easter Sunday. He had been in ill health for several months.



A guest speaker at the New Mexico meeting, Governor Dan Thornton of Colorado (left), is greeted by an old friend, Robert H. Royall of Silver City.



William J. O'Connor, general manager of the Union Stock Yard and Transit Company, at left, presents award to champion trucker of the year, Walter Sellnau of Charlotte, Ia. Mr. Sellnau's fleet of trucks did the safest job of hauling livestock to the Chicago market during the seven-month Chicago Livestock Trucker Safety Program which was climaxed Apr. 6 with a big Trucker Jamboree in the Amphitheater at the Chicago yards.

AMERICAN CATTLE PRODUCER

Two Forest Service changes recently announced include: Eldon E. Ball, promoted from staff officer of Ochoco National Forest at Prineville, Ore., to supervisor of Inyo National Forest at Bishop, Calif.; and Harold S. Coons promoted from assistant supervisor of Stanislaus National Forest at Sonora, Calif., to supervisor of Whitman National Forest at Baker, Ore.

Recent USDA personnel transfers and re-assignments include: Ralph S. Trigg, recent administrator of Production and Marketing Administration, who now becomes special assistant to Secretary Brannan for CCC affairs; Frank W. Woolley, transferred from deputy administratorship in PMA to special assistant to secretary for CCC affairs; Gus F. Geissler, from managership of Federal Crop Insurance Corporation to administrator of PMA; Harold K. Hill, transferred from assistant administrator, PMA, to deputy administrator of the division.

E. J. Fortenberry, assistant supervisor on the Gunnison National Forest, has been appointed supervisor of the Medicine Bow Forest, with headquarters at Laramie, Wyo.

Fred W. Johnson, last commissioner of the former General Land Office and first director of the Bureau of Land Management, has retired after almost 18 years with the Department of the Interior. A special program, featuring presentation of a scroll and gifts, marked the occasion some weeks ago when Mr. Johnson reached the age of 70.

A portrait of **A. L. Ward**, educational director of the National Cottonseed Products Association, is being painted for presentation to A&M College of Texas. Mr. Ward this year is completing 25 years in his post, where he is widely known for his interest in livestock and agricultural progress.

Dr. Hugh H. Bennett, a 47-year veteran with the USDA, will continue in his post as chief of the SCS despite the fact that he recently attained retirement status. Dr. Bennett was 70 Apr. 15. Agriculture Secretary Brannan has announced: "Particularly today, when agricultural production is so important in the mobilization program, Dr. Bennett's long experience is invaluable."

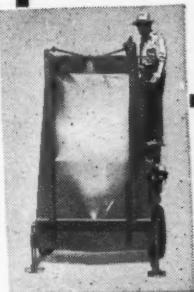
Harold Burback has been named to manage the Denver land and survey office of the Bureau of Land Management. He was formerly in charge of the bureau's soil and moisture conservation program in Utah and Colorado.

Eugene T. Rainey: The general manager of the Swift & Company plant at Omaha, Nebr., died suddenly last month at the age of 62. He first joined the packing firm 49 years ago as a \$4-a-week messenger boy.

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Agriculture Secretary Brannan has accepted a request from Gen Harry H. Johnson that he be relieved of his present duties as co-director of the Mexican-United States Commission for the Eradication of Foot-and-mouth Disease, a post he has held since May, 1948. In submitting his resignation, General Johnson called attention to the promising success of the fight against the disease in Mexico and stated that he felt his services were no longer needed in the present watchful waiting stage. Only one outbreak has been reported in the past 16 months—in December, 1950. In accepting the resignation, the secretary paid tribute to the gigantic task performed in bringing the disease under control, and thanked the general for his "wise leadership and devotion to duty which have contributed so much toward the present favorable situation." General Johnson will return to an executive position, from which he was on leave, with a Houston, Tex., oil company.



General Johnson who retires from foot-mouth post.

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S. J. (Sam) Weeks: Mr. Weeks, a former executive committeeman of the American National, and one of the original directors of the Nevada State Cattle Association, passed away Apr. 15 at the age of 75. Mr. Weeks' son, Russel Weeks, is a past president of the Nevada association.

W. H. Woods, Jr.: for the past eight years supervisor on Arizona's Crook Forest, has recently been transferred to the Coronado National Forest. He will there replace Supervisor Merker, who transfers to the Santa Fe Forest in New Mexico.

DeWitt C. Wing: Mr. Wing, nationally known for his writings in numerous livestock publications and for some years (1934-45) in government work, died Mar. 30 at Normal, Ill. He had been with the Breeders Gazette for 26 years, starting early in this century.

John L. (Jack) Miller: For more than a quarter-century fieldman for the Corn Belt Farm Dailies, Mr. Miller passed away Mar. 26 at Omaha. He was 63.

AMERICAN CATTLE PRODUCER

Calendar

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May 10—Northwestern Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association, Woodward.
May 17-19—Convention, Washington Cattlemen's Association, Chehalis-Centralia.
May 21-23—Convention, Oregon Cattlemen's Association, Ontario.
May 24-26—Convention, Montana Stockgrowers Association, Great Falls.
May 21-June 2—60th Convention, South Dakota Stock Growers, Rapid City.
June 5-7—Convention, Wyoming Stock Growers Association, Worland.
June 7-9—Convention, North Dakota Stockmen's Association, Dickinson.
June 13-16—Convention, Colorado Cattlemen's Association, Walsenburg.
June 14-16—Convention, Nebraska Stock Growers Association, South Sioux City, Nebr.
June 25-26—Western States Brand Conference, Billings, Montana.
Oct. 6-13—Pacific International Livestock Exposition, Portland, Oregon.
Jan. 6, 1952—Executive committee meeting, American National Cattlemen's Association, Ft. Worth, Tex.
Jan. 7-9—55th ANNUAL CONVENTION, AMERICAN NATIONAL CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION, FORT WORTH, TEX.

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(In thousands)

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep
Mar. 1951	965	447	5,117	738
Mar. 1950	1,082	586	5,020	939
9 mos. to Mar. '51	9,892	4,135	44,961	8,603
9 mos. to Mar. '50	10,007	4,759	42,956	9,452

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS

(In thousands of pounds)

	Mar. 31	Feb. 28	Mar. 31	Mar. 31	Avg.
1951	1951	1951	1950	1950	
Frozen Beef	122,645	136,943	88,635	132,687	
Cured Beef	10,436	12,097	11,660	11,389	
Total Pork	638,038	641,565	548,640	518,203	
Lamb, Mutton	8,107	9,474	10,689	13,894	
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Pork Fat	79,314	89,433	87,306	112,562	
Total Poultry	193,378	242,023	212,058	217,809	

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK PRICES

	Apr. 26, 1951	Apr. 20, 1950
Steers—Prime	\$37.75-42.50	\$
Steers—Choice	35.25-39.75	29.00-34.00
Steers—Good	34.25-36.25	26.50-30.50
Steers—Comm.	32.00-34.50	23.75-26.50
Vealers—Ch.-Pr.	39.00-42.00	
Vealers—Ch.-Gd.	34.00-39.00	29.00-30.00
Calves—Ch.-Pr.	34.00-40.00	
Calves—Ch.-Gd.	29.00-35.00	26.00-29.00
F&S. Strs.—Gd-Ch.	33.00-40.50	23.75-29.00
F&S. Strs.—Ch.-Md.	28.00-33.50	20.00-24.00
Hogs (180-240 lbs.)	21.25-22.10	16.40-16.95
Lams—Gd-Ch.	37.50-39.00	24.75-27.50
Ewes—Gd-Ch.	22.00-33.00	11.00-14.50

WHOLESALE DRESSED MEATS

(New York)

	Apr. 25, 1951	Apr. 19, 1950
Beef—Prime	\$60.00-63.00	\$
Beef—Choice	57.00-61.00	48.00-51.00
Beef—Good	54.00-59.00	43.50-45.50
Beef—Comm.		40.00-42.50
Cow—Commercial	46.00-49.00	34.00-37.00
Veal—Prime	59.00-62.00	
Veal—Choice	56.00-60.00	41.50-45.00
Veal—Good	54.00-59.00	39.00-41.50
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WORLD HOG NUMBERS UP

World hog numbers on Jan. 1 of this year are estimated by the Office of Foreign Agricultural Relations at 297,200,000 head—a record total. This is an increase of 6 per cent over a year earlier. A further moderate increase in world hog numbers is in prospect during 1951. Current numbers are 2 per cent above the 1936-40 average, for the first time in a post-war year.

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